Ms. Marge Schmuckal, Zoning Administrator Department of Urban Development City of Portland 389 Congress Street Portland, Maine 04101

Dear Ms. Schmuckal:

I am requesting a permit to allow me the use of a portion of my residence at 83 Deerfield Road for a home occupation. I intend to practice as a psychiatric social worker. I have been in practice for thirty years and am selling the office where I currently practice. My work will be to see people for psychotherapy. Under item (2) of Section 14-410 of the Portland Zoning Ordinance professional counseling (#22) is an acceptable home occupation.

The following is an example of how my home occupation meets the criteria under item (1) of the same ordinance.

My home occupation will occupy approximately 300 square feet (12% of 2400) of Floor area of the residence.

No goods will be displayed or be visible from outside the residence.

Storage of any materials associated with my occupation are minimal and included

There will be no external signage

I have three parking spaces in my driveway and I will be generally seeing one person At a time so it will not be generating additional traffic for my neighborhood.

No objectionable effects will result from my home occupation

I will not have any employees and no vehicles even nearing a gross vehicle weight of 6000 pounds are necessary for my home occupation.

The external activity level and impact is negligible and in keeping with the character of my neighborhood. I am attaching a copy of a floor plan showing my entire dwelling and area of the home occupation space.

Please advise me of any additional information that you require. I thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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