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## LETTER OF EXPLANATION 1037 FOREST AVENUE, UNIT 2 - PERMIT APPLICATION

Applicant: Andréa Girard A. Hausmann Associates, Inc. 380 Warren Avenue Portland, ME 04103 agirardamg@gmail.com 207.653.9495

Proposed Use: Retail - Paint sales and Pet supply sales (space to be split into two spaces, and made part of existing abutting tenant spaces).

SF: 3,255

1037 Forest Avenue, Unit 2 is a vacant retail space (formerly African Supermarket), which is located in between Maine Paint Service and Portland Dog Wash LLC (aka The Dog Wash Etc.).

A. Hausmann Associates, Inc. has entered into agreements with both Maine Paint Service and Portland Dog Wash LLC, to take possession of the Unit 2 space, thereby creating two larger spaces for each.

Maine Paint Service will possess approximately 29% of the Unit 2 space, and Portland Dog Wash LLC 71%.

To separate the Unit 2 space, A. Hausmann Associates, Inc. will install a 2' X 6' steel stud, insulated wall, with 1 layer of 5/8" fire rated sheetrock on each side. The wall will be the depth of the space, and installed up to the decking.

The entry for Unit 2, will serve as a second entry for Portland Dog Wash LLC.

A. Hausmann Associates, Inc. will demolition portions of both adjoining non-load bearing walls, to allow access to each tenant's portion of Unit 2's space, from their existing spaces. Maine Paint Services portion will be approximately 30', and Portland Dog Wash LLC's 18'. There will also be some demolition of the existing office space in Unit 2, to provide a larger opening and viewing area for Portland Dog Wash LLC, and reduce the size of the office.

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Attachments:

To serve as further reference, I have included hand drawings of Maine Paint Services' (Unit 1) and Portland Dog Wash LLCs' (Unit 3) existing space layout, with the access (demolition) points referenced in Green.

The hand drawing of Unit 2, shows the existing floor plan of the space, with the areas to be demolitioned marked in Green, and the new non-load bearing walls marked in Purple.

Additionally, a simple drawing of the three spaces is included, to put in perspective the existing tenant spaces as they relate to Unit 2, as well as the demolition and new wall installation.