



CITY OF PORTLAND

December 5, 2000

Sheldon J. Ashby
1 Caron Street
Portland, ME 04103

RE: 1 Caron Street – 388-B-012 - R-2 residential zone

Dear Mr. Ashby,

It has come to my attention that you are running a painting business out of your home located at 1 Caron Street. You have five or more commercial vehicles, including a trailer, for your Five Star Painting business parked at this location on a regular basis. Your employees often visit this site, leaving their personal cars in your yard when they go out on a job site. There is also a large storage pile of scaffolding for your business in your yard.

The City of Portland's Zoning Ordinance does not allow business uses such as yours in any residential zone. Since your property is located in an R-2 residential zone, and your business is not an allowable use, you are in violation of the City's Zoning Ordinance (section 14-77).

You are also in violation of section 14-335 which does not allow more than one commercial vehicle parked off-street in a residential zone. This section also does not allow dead storage of vehicles in any residential zone. All such vehicles shall be removed immediately.

You are hereby ordered by this letter, to immediately discontinue your business use at this location. The only approved use at this location is a single family dwelling. You shall also immediately remove all commercial vehicles, and unregistered vehicles except as allowed by ordinance.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at this office at 874-8695.

You do have the right to appeal my interpretation. If you wish to exercise your right to appeal, you have 30 days from the date of this letter in which to do so. I have included copies of

information regarding the appeals process. Please note that your property shall be inspected after thirty (30) days in order to determine compliance.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marge Schmuckal", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Marge Schmuckal
Zoning Administrator

Cc: File
Code Enforcement Officer (area 2)