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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Re: Variance Hearing-April 26, 1989 H. Bender 2765 60th Avenue S.E.

After study of the site and the "Hart Report", I must conclude that the variance application for 2765 60th Avenue S.E. does not meet the criteria (four items) of Section 19.04.1404(B) of the Mercer Island Zoning Code, and should be DENIED.

Approximately 1300 square feet would be removed from Calkins Landing Park and the view from the park would be restricted.

It appears that there are nine near term potential applicants west of 60th Avenue between 24th and 30th, that could follow suit.

An additional concern of this writer is that one request leads to another (i.e., smaller set backs, height variance, larger docks, etc.)

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2731 60th Avenue S.E. Mercer Island, WA 98040

CC: Hearing Examiner Jerry Bacon City Council Paul Lanspery