

JUSTIFICATION STATEMENT FOR VARIANCE REQUEST

Property Address: 1469 Bland Street, Louisville, KY 40217

The requested variance is to allow portions of a 6-foot privacy fence on a residential corner lot property to improve safety, privacy, and security for the household. The variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety, or welfare because the fence will remain within property boundaries and will not interfere with traffic visibility or neighboring properties.

The variance will not alter the essential character of the neighborhood, as privacy fences are common residential improvements throughout the surrounding area. The proposed fence is consistent with the residential nature of the community and is intended to maintain a safe and secure outdoor environment for the family.

The fence will not create a hazard or nuisance to the public. Instead, it will improve safety for the household, particularly for the applicant's nonverbal autistic son who has a history of elopement and wandering behaviors. The fence is necessary to help prevent unsafe access to nearby streets and provide a secure outdoor area for the child's protection and well-being.

Strict application of the zoning regulations creates an unnecessary hardship by limiting the family's ability to safely use and enjoy the property due to the unique layout of the corner lot and the specific safety needs of the household. These circumstances are unique to the property and family situation and are not generally applicable to other properties in the area.

The requested variance is the minimum necessary to provide reasonable use of the property while maintaining compatibility with the surrounding neighborhood. The circumstances requiring the variance were not created by the applicant after adoption of the zoning regulations.