TO: The Zoning Board

FROM: Nina Tannenwald, 167 Medway St. Providence

Re: 37 Cooke Street

To the Zoning Board:

I urge you to oppose the request by the owners of 37 Cooke Street to widen their driveway. There appears to be no compelling reason for the request other than that that it would be more convenient. The reason for the City's rule that driveways should be 12 feet wide is precisely to prevent actions like this, which would create a strip-mall type parking lot.

If the Board grants a waiver in this case, there is no reason to deny any request for a larger driveway for anyone who wants it. This is how zoning rules become meaningless.

Because there is no compelling reason for the waiver, the Board should support the Department's finding that the waiver should be denied.

Sincerely,

Nina Tannenwald

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