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# CITY OF PROVIDENCE BUILDING BOARD OF REVIEW

## APPLICATION APPEALING THE DECISION OF THE BUILDING OFFICIAL, OR FOR A VARIATION OR MODIFICATION FROM CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE RI STATE BUILDING CODE

Check Type of Building Board Application:  Variance – variation from, or modification of, certain sections of the RI State Building Code			
Appeal of a decision of the Building	Official		
If a section of the application is not	applicable, please indicate this by using N/A in that field.		
Applicant: George Musalli	Applicant Mailing Address		
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Owner: Mayflower Realty LLC	Owner Mailing Address		
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Phone: 617-510-5743			
Appellant:	Appellant Mailing Address Street:		
Phone:	City, State, Zip:		
Attorney:	Attorney Mailing Address		
Email:	Street:		
Phone:	City, State, Zip:		
Subject Department of inspection + Sta	andards Permit Number: BLDG-24-1532		
2. Street Address of Subject Property:	Street Address of Subject Property: 14 Mayflower St  Assessor's Plat and Lot Numbers of Subject Property: 6-339		
3. Base Zoning District(s): R-2 Overlay District(s): None			

4.	Date owner purchased the Property: 11/16/2021				
5.	Building construc	tion type(s): 5B			<u></u>
6.	Dimensions of ea				
	Lot # 339	Width 40'	Depth <u>124'</u>	Total area 5,400	sq. ft.
		Width			
7.	Size of existing st	ructure(s) located o	on the Property:		
••	Principal Structure:		Accessory Structure	) <u>!</u>	
		1,179 sq.ft.			
		18'			
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8.		structure(s) located -		••	
	Principal Structure	<u>ē</u> : No changos	Accessory Structure		
	Area of Footprint	No changes	_ Area of Footprint _		
		changes			
	# of Stories NO CI	nanges	# of Stories		
10.		Use of the Property	erty: Residential - 2 fam		
¥ ± •			# of proposed space	98	
	Providence 2	Zoning Ordinance anges proposed for	cerning the Property under RI State Buildi the Property (use, construuse to a two family ho	ng or Property Maintena action/renovation, site a	ilteration):
14.	If application is for Section Number 420.4 903.2.8 1011.5.2 1010.1.1 1206.2 1206.3	Section Title + Rec Automatic Sprint			
	3404.1	ALTERATIONS		-	- "

## QUESTIONS 15 AND 16 TO BE ANSWERED ONLY IF APPLICATION IS AN APPEAL

15.	IF application is an appeal of a decision of the Building Official, please indicate if:  Appellant is the Owner of the subject Property			
	Appellant is an aggrieved party that is not the Owner of the subject Property			
16.	IF application is an appeal of a decision of the Building Official, please indicate the grounds for the appeal:			
	SEE ATTACHED EXPLANATION OF REQUEST			

IF MORE ROOM IS NEEDED TO ANSWER ANY OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE SUBMIT AN ADDENDUM TO THIS APPENDIX WITH COMPLETE RESPONSES.

The undersigned acknowledge(s) and agree(s) that members of the Building Board of Review and its staff may enter upon the Property in order to view the Property prior to any hearing on the application.

The undersigned further acknowledge(s) that the statements herein and in any attachments or appendices are true and accurate, and that providing a false statement in this application may be subject to criminal and/or civil penalties as provided by law, including prosecution under the State and Municipal False Claims Acts. Owner(s)/Applicant(s) are jointly responsible for any false statements.

Owner(s):	Applicant(s)/Appellant(s):	
George Musalli	George Musalli	
Type Name	Type Name	
George Mussalli	George Mussalli Signature	
Type Name	Туре Name	
Signature	Signature	

All applicable requirements listed and described on the Instruction Sheet shall be met or this application will not be considered complete.

Please contact the Office of the Boards of Review with questions:

Telephone – 401-680-5375

Email – <u>bsath@providenceri.gov</u>

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## **EXPLANATION OF REQUEST:**

### THE DENIAL OF THIS PERMIT IS FOR THESE SECTIONS:

### **SECTION 3404.1**

Except as provided by section 3401.4 or this section, alterations to any building or structure shall comply with the requirements of the code for new construction. Alterations shall be such that the existing building or structure is no less complying with the provisions of this code than the existing building or structure was prior to the alteration.

## 420.4 Automatic Sprinkler System

Group R occupancies shall be equipped throughout with an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with Section 903.2.8.

## 903.2.8 Group R

An automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3 shall be provided throughout all buildings with a Group R fire area.

This existing home had an illegal third floor apartment unit. The goal of this project is to legalize this unit by creating a new Accessory Dwelling Unit on the third floor. This allows the building to be legalized and inspected. As part of this process, we are verifying and upgrading fire separations between the units (ceilings and walls, 1 hour) and installing self closing fire rated doors into stairwells and common areas (1 hour). Our request is to do this work without the need for installation of a sprinkler system.

## WE ARE ADDITIONALLY REQUESTING RELIEF FROM THESE SECTIONS:

## 1011.5.2 Riser Height and Tread Depth

Stair riser heights shall be 7 inches maximum and 4 inches minimum. Winder treads shall have a minimum tread depth of 11 inches between the vertical planes of the foremost projection of adjacent treads at the intersections with the walkline and a minimum tread depth of 10 inches within the clear width of the stair.

This is an existing home, built many years ago. The existing stairs, front and rear, do not meet the requirements of 1011.5.2

### 1010.1.1 Size of Doors

The required capacity of each door opening shall be sufficient for the occupant load thereof and shall provide a minimum clear opening width of 32 inches.

This home has doors at the rear of the 1st floor and 2nd floor apartments that are nominally 30" wide. The design of this project increased the size of several doors to 36", but these two doors could not be enlarged due to the configuration of the existing stairs.

## 1206.2 Airborne Sound

Walls, partitions and floor-ceiling assemblies separating dwelling units and sleeping units from each other or from public or service areas shall have a sound transmission class of not less than 50

### 206.3 Structure-Borne Sound

Floor-ceiling assemblies between dwelling units and sleeping units or between a dwelling unit or sleeping unit and a public or service area within the structure shall have an impact insulation class rating of not less than 50.

For both airborne sound and structure-borne sound, this is an existing building with existing assemblies. There is not an intent to reconstruct this building, and therefore it is not possible to achieve modern assemblies that achieve an STC of or IIC of 50.

## **Signature Certificate**

Reference number: 7URZT-99WYH-NIALG-S5REU

Signer

Timestamp

Signature

George Mussalli

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#### APPLICATION DATE APPLICATION NO. CITY OF PROVIDENCE NOTICE OF REFUSAL BLDG-24-1532 DEPT OF INSPECTIONS AND 11/07/2024 **STANDARDS** APPEAL FEE DATE OF REFUSAL 444 Westminster Street -Providence, RI, 02903 OF PERMIT APPLICATION Joseph A. Doorley - Municipal Duilding \$440 12/12/2024 LOCATION PAGE NUMBER 14 Mayflower St. Providence, RI 02906 1 of 1 APPLICANT TITLE 10 Arrowhead Ln, Milton, MA 02186 George Mussalli Applicant PROPERTY OWNER'S FULL ADDRESS PROPERTY OWNER'S NAME Mayflower Realty Llc 10 Arrowhead Ln, Milton, MA 02186 THE APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY FOR THE ABOVE LOCATION HAS BEEN REFUSED BECAUSE THE PROVISIONS OF THE RHODE ISLAND STATE CODE HAVE NOT DEEN COMPLIED WITH IN THE FOLLOWING PARTICULARS. SCOPE OF PERMIT: For interior alteration to change use from two-family dwelling to three-family dwelling.

BUILDING DESCRIPTION: Three (3) story, existing structure.

USE GROUP(S): R-2 - Three dwelling units

TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION: V-B (Existing)

C,O, REQUIRED: YES

LOCATION OF SPRINKLERS (IF ANY): N/A

FLOOR AREAS / USES

First Floor: 1058 Square Feet / Residential Unit #1 Second Floor: 1019 Square Feet / Residential Unit #2 Third Floor: 649 Square Feet / Residential Unit #3

Has the proposed scope of work been completed? • Yes ⊗ No Has a violation been noted for this property? • Yes ⊗ No

RISBC-1 Rhode Island Building Code (510-RICR-00-00-1)	CODE SECTIONS AND REASONS FOR REFUSAL
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**	Whereas, No fire suppression system is proposed.

Discipline: -- Building Code-

Signed

X Applicant

Senior Plan Examiner

Signed

Johnny Suardz Building Officia

☐ Property Owner