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Jay C. Voight Zoning Administrator Office of Zoning Administration

Official Decision **Case ZA-1258 Zoning Administration** Carroll County, Maryland

APPLICANT:

Korin Watson

REQUEST:

Family Day Care for Eight or Less Children as an Accessory Use

LOCATION:

254 Gorsuch Road, Westminster, MD 21157

MAP/BLOCK/PARCEL:

39/24/336

APPLICABLE REGULATIONS:

Chapter 223.64(N)

HEARING HELD:

January 5, 2011

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Based on the testimony and evidence presented at the hearing the accessory use is granted.

Facts which support the request for relief from the strict terms of the Ordinance, in this case, an accessory use for a family day care for eight children or less are as follows:

There is a continuing need throughout the county for day care facilities. A concern was raised by the Bureau of Development Review about a fence that runs along the front property line alongside of Gorsuch Road. The fence is a split rail fence left over from the previous owners who had horses on the property. After sitting at the driveway entrance and examining the sight distance both ways, the fence does not seem to have a major impact on the sight distance. The driveway has plenty of room for those leaving the property to turn around and pull out onto the road instead of backing out. The rear yard was fenced and had adequate area for children to play.

No neighbors were present at the hearing opposing the accessory use; therefore, the granting of this accessory use should have no adverse effect on any adjoining property owners. This approval is valid for one year from the date of this decision.

Note: An appeal of a Decision made pursuant to Chapter 223-181.2 may be made to the Board of Zoning Appeals within thirty (30) days of the date of the Zoning Administrator's decision in accordance with Chapter 223-182 and 223-188 of the Code of Public Local Laws and Ordinances.

A decision of the Zoning Administrator made pursuant to Chapter 223-181 is final and constitutes a zoning action. Unless timely appealed, parties may not thereafter challenge the Zoning Administrator's decision.

Date 2011