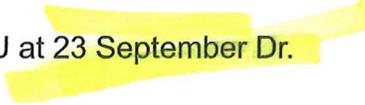


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January 18, 2026

Re: Variance Application for proposed Addition/ADU at 23 September Dr. 

Franklin ZBA,

This letter is submitted to the Franklin ZBA in support of the Pestana family at 19 September Dr., Franklin MA.

One of the most cherished aspects of Countryside Estates is its peaceful location and thoughtful design/placement of each home within the town's required setback requirements for this development.

The requested variance for a change to setback requirements not only impacts the Pestana's privacy, noise level, lot aesthetics and natural lighting, it also changes the aesthetic of the neighborhood overall from the street view. Taking into consideration the shape of the current and adjoining lot, the size, scope and proposed location of the Addition/ADU offer the appearance of it being shoehorned onto the lot.

To approve this variance would set a precedent that sends a message of caution to all current and future property owners in Franklin.

The Thomas Family
16 September Dr
Franklin, MA