BEFORE THE HEARINGS OFFICER

KLAMATH COUNTY, OREGON TO MY

In the Matter of Request for)
Variance No. 22-82 for
Richard F. Putnam, Applicant)

Klamath County Planning Findings of Fact and Order

A hearing was held on this matter on November 18, 1982, pursuant to notice given in conformity with Ordinance No. 45, Klamath County, before the Klamath County Hearings Officer, Jim Spindor. The applicant was present. The Klamath County Planning Department was represented by Jonathan Chudnoff. The Hearings Reporter was Karen Alberto.

Evidence was presented on behalf of the Department and on behalf of the applicant. There were no adjacent property owners present.

The following exhibits were offered, received, and made a part of the record:

Klamath County Exhibit A, Staff Report
Klamath County Exhibit B, Plot Plan
Klamath County Exhibit C, Assessor's Map
Klamath County Exhibit D, Photos

The hearing was then closed, and based upon the evidence submitted at the hearing, the Hearings Officer made the following findings:

1. There are exceptional and extraordinary circumstances which apply to the property involved which do not generally apply to other property in the vicinity, in that the only portion of applicant's property on which an addition of the nature contemplated can be placed, requires the granting of this variance.

- 2. The granting of this variance is necessary for the preservation and enjoyment of the applicant's right to make full use of his property, a right which is possessed by other property owners in the vicinity; if this variance is not granted, undue hardship will be caused to the owner.
- 3. The granting of this variance will not cause any detrimental affect to the public health, safety, or welfare, or any detrimental affect to any abutting property owners.
- 4. The required variance is the minimum variance needed to alleviate the hardship due to the size of the applicant's property and the placement of the present residence thereon.
- 5. The granting of this variance will not allow use of the property for a purpose which is not authorized within the zone within which the property is located.
- 6. The granting of this variance is consistent with the goals of the LCDC.
- 7. The granting of this variance is based on the following Findings of Fact:

## FINDINGS OF FACT:

- a. The requested use is for a variance to reduce the rear setback from 25' to 20' in order to build a garage and storage building. A garage and storage building is a permitted use within the RS (Suburban Residential) zone.
- b. The property involved was recently split off from an acre which had two mobile homes on it. The applicant is proposing to build a 30' x 50' garage/storage building to be shared by the two families. The location of a building of this size on this property is limited by the location of the two mobile homes Variance No. 22-82 Page 2

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and a storage shed, as well as by the need for keeping clear access to the rear mobile home.

- There are exceptional and extraordinary circumstances which apply to the property involved which do not generally apply to other property in the vicinity because the possible locations for the proposed building are limited by the two existing dwellings and a partly paved driveway.
- The owner would be caused undue hardship if this d. variance is not granted because he would be required to move the building five feet to the west which would require redesign of the building or relocation of the existing paved driveway. It would also reduce some sunlight to the residence.
- There was no testimony in opposition to the granting of this variance, and there is no evidence that the granting of this variance would have an adverse affect on abutting property owners.

The Hearings Officer, based on the foregoing Findings of Fact, accordingly orders as follows:

That real property described as

East side of Kane Street, north of Shasta Way, and more particularly described as Lot 45, Fair Acres No. 1,

is hereby granted a variance in accordance with the terms of the Klamath County Zoning Ordinance No. 45, and, henceforth, will be allowed to construct a garage/storage building to be shared by two families.

Entered at Klamath Falls, Oregon, this 6 day of Dec. , 1982.

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