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September 11, 2012

**BY HAND and EMAIL**

Ms. Linda Finucane  
Chief Committee Clerk  
Newton Board of Aldermen  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459-1449

Re: Petition of Abby Gordon/56 Exeter Street

Dear Linda,

Enclosed please find two letters in support of the above petition from neighbors. The Zises live directly across the street from 56 Exeter Street and the 1489 Commonwealth Avenue LLC owns the property next door.

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions respecting the foregoing.

Very truly yours,



Stephen J. Buchbinder

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**ZISES**  
**55 Exeter Street**  
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Alderman Ted Hess-Mahan  
Chairman, Land Use Committee  
Newton Board of Aldermen  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459

Re: Gordon/56 Exeter Street

Dear Alderman Hess-Mahan,

We live at 55 Exeter Street in West Newton, directly across the street from Abby and Brett Gordon. The Gordons have shared with us their plans for a small addition to their existing garage. We think that the proposed addition has been designed in such a manner as to fit in well with the existing neighborhood. As such, we support their request for a special permit.

Sincerely,

*Leslie Ann Zises*  
Leslie Zises

*Kenneth J. Zises*  
Kenneth J. Zises

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1489 Commonwealth Avenue LLC  
1061 Washington Street  
Newton, MA 02460

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Dear Alderman Hess-Mahan,

1489 Commonwealth Avenue LLC (the "LLC") owns the real estate at 1489 Commonwealth Avenue in West Newton. The LLC is presently constructing a new single-family residence at the site. As such, the LLC is concerned with any renovations to adjoining properties.

We have reviewed the Gordons' plans for a small addition to their existing garage. Having viewed the plans, we wish to advise you that the LLC has no objection to the same and that the LLC supports the Gordons' request for a special permit. Our support for the special permit is due in part to the extensive landscaping which runs along the mutual property line as well as the difference in grade between the Gordons' property and our own.

Sincerely,

1489 Commonwealth Avenue

LLC

By: Fred Bennett, mgr.

Fred Bennett  
Its Manager, duly

authorized