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Supervisors
4158 Millington Rd
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To: Albemarle County Board Of
Special Exemption For Home stay

Dear Albemarle County Board of Supervisors ,

As you are aware I am asking for a special use permit for this property 4158 Millington rd in Free Union.

Our hope has been to be able to air b&b / Vrbo this house. Which I feel would benefit the county and many smaller businesses in our area.

Currently I have this property in an LLC. I was advised to do this to protect myself from any unexpected issues that would have the potential to arise if and when it is being rented also as we have a small farm on this property.

Because it is in an LLC this seems to be the reason currently that we can not use it as a Home stay.

Though I live at the property (4158) we also own 4184 and 4196 Millington rd.

These properties all connect to one another and are smaller sized properties... but are all individual properties. These properties currently are grandfathered as to the locations of the house to the road. So It would not make sense to Incorporate all of the properties into one.

We have been here in Free Union for 25 Years, We have been fortunate enough to have been able to purchase these three properties over that time. The intent being to expand our land for the purpose of agricultural practices and protect land.

Previously we had been Air B&Bing this property for 3-4 years before we were notified that we were not up to code. In this time I had a business license, Paid monthly taxes and annual transient taxes. We were doing all we were aware we had to do.

We believe there will be no negative impacts for the Home stay, rather the positive impact of keeping the property rural and bringing tourism money in to the area. Our neighbors are all content with the situation as again we have been doing this previously with no issues at all. The home stay guests we have had enjoy our farm animals around the rental and frequent nearby vineyards and restaurants.

I do feel this is somewhat of a unique situation that I am asking for approval for and I am hoping you all may see it in the same fashion. Please consider this for the sake of our desire as well the benefit to Albemarle county agro- tourism. .

Thank you,
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