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To whom it may concern,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to formally apply for a special use permit for overnight boarding, dog day services, and training, at **10493 ND10, Dickinson**. It is my sincere belief that this venture will serve the needs of pet owners and community members. By offering convenient dog care and training services, we aim to alleviate challenges faced by individuals and families in the community in accessing these vital services.

At Plum Creek Canines, our mission is to provide a safe, structured, and enriching environment for dogs. Unlike typical dog care services, Plum Creek Canines will operate using a structured schedule that rotates dogs through outdoor exercise, one-on-one interaction, kennel rest times, and enrichment. This results in calm, quiet, and overall better mannered dogs. We understand the importance of adhering to city regulations and guidelines, which is why we are seeking approval for a special use permit.

All dogs will be required to have up-to-date vaccines including rabies, distemper, and parvo. Females in heat will not be allowed to attend. Plum Creek Canines will house a maximum of 35 dogs at a time.

In order to have optimum security, we will take multiple measures. Cameras will be installed in all ranges of the interior and exterior of the facility. When dogs are not being actively supervised, they will be in secure indoor kennels. Plum Creek Canines will operate using a double-barrier system. This entails using gating/fencing, closed doors, and leashes. When owners drop off dogs, they will be required to wait in their cars, and I will go out to personally bring the dog in the facility on leash. Similarly, during pick up times, I will personally take the dog out to their vehicle on leash.

Before being admitted into care, each dog will require an in-depth questionnaire to address any behavioral and health concerns. Play and exercise groups will include a maximum of 5 dogs of compatible temperaments to prevent excess barking.

An accepted purchase offer has been placed on the above named property with a closing purchase date of November 15th, assuming the approval of the Special Use Permit. Please see attached documents related to this property (Deed and Purchase Agreement).

Plum Creek Canines will be operated out of the two existing buildings/shops. One building is 30x53 (1590 sq feet) and the other building is 40x24 (960 sq feet). An indoor play/exercise area and spacious indoor kennels will be provided for dogs. A fenced outdoor area will also be provided for supervised play/exercise. Both buildings have electricity and

access to private well water, as are heated and cooled. The property also has a private septic system. Fire extinguishers and smoke detectors will be placed in both buildings. There are no plans to add additional structures to the property. Please see attached map of area to be approved along with property details.

Spot cleaning will be conducted daily as needed to keep the facility free of accumulating hair, dirt, and other such messes. Dog waste will be picked up daily, bagged, and disposed of. This has been approved by MGM Rural Sanitation.

Customers will have access to the building using a one way loop through the property. Parking is available on and adjacent to this loop.

Insurance will be continued through KennelPro.

The adjacent property owners have been contacted about the proposed special use permit application with no concerns being voiced as of the day of submitting the application.

Plum Creek Canines' goal is to promote responsible pet ownership, enhance the bond between humans and their pets, and contribute to a happier, healthier community overall. We are committed to ensuring that our business operations comply with all zoning ordinances and regulations set forth by the city. We recognize the importance of being good neighbors and will take all necessary measures to minimize any potential impact on surrounding properties.

I respectfully request that our application for a special use permit favorably. I am available to provide any additional information or answer any questions you may have regarding our proposal. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Neveah Baranko