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City of Leon Valley Planning & Zoning Department 6400 El Verde Road Leon Valley, TX 78238

Subject: Request for Building Variance Exception

Dear Leon Valley City Council,

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to respectfully request a building variance exception from the required property rear setback line for a new home build. As a permanent wheelchair-bound individual, I find myself in a challenging situation where I require additional space to accommodate my special needs.

I want to express my sincere appreciation for your attention and understanding as I explain my circumstances. I have made every effort to ensure I do not encroach upon the mandatory setback line. I have diligently reduced the required space by making necessary adjustments to the floor plan. However, it is essential for the house plan to include sufficient internal and external accessible areas that enable me to move independently without encountering major obstacles.

I humbly request your approval to build 5 feet partially beyond the rear setback line. This additional space would amount to 5 feet by 32 feet, approximately 160 square feet, out of the total overall rear building restricted area of 1,950 square feet. The purpose of this extension is to construct a covered patio over a concrete slab. This area would serve as a wheelchair-accessible section in my backyard, providing me with the freedom to move without the limitations posed by non-hard surfaces such as grass or dirt.

I cannot stress enough the significance of this accessible area for my overall well-being and quality of life. It would allow me to spend precious moments with my children and wife, enjoying quality family time without relying heavily on assistance to navigate the surroundings. This external wheelchair-accessible section in my backyard would become a sanctuary where I can create lasting memories and cherish the joy of being with my loved ones.

I fully understand that building variance exceptions requires careful consideration, and I deeply appreciate your time and attention in reviewing my special needs request. I assure you that I will

diligently comply with all other building regulations and requirements. Furthermore, I am more than willing to work closely with the relevant authorities to ensure the construction process aligns with the approved plans.

Once again, I extend my heartfelt gratitude for your understanding. I genuinely hope for a positive resolution that will enable me to create a safe and inclusive home environment that caters to my unique needs. Should you require any additional information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (210) 316-5354 or enrique_areyna@hotmail.com.

Thank you for your kindness and consideration. May your decision be guided by empathy and a genuine understanding of the challenges I face on a daily basis.

With sincere appreciation,

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