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DATE: May 22, 2018

TO: Plan Commission

FROM: George C. Hank, Director
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Hank".

SUBJECT: Demolition of 4929 Femrite Drive

I have been asked to review the condition of the single family home located at 4929 Femrite Drive on the City's South East side. The property was in the Town of Blooming Grove when the house was originally built. Our first record was a permit for new siding and windows in 1966. The building appears to of had no maintenance since then. Our records also indicate the building has likely been vacant since September of 2003 when Building Inspection received a police referral regarding a vacant unsecured building.

I visited the property on May 4, 2018 and conducted an exterior inspection only. The property is completely overgrown allowing little or no sunlight to reach the building. Mold and mildew is evident throughout the exterior. The chimney above the roof line will need to be rebuilt. On the West side of the building there is a hole in the roof approximately 5 feet in diameter above habitable space. On the East side of the building there is another hole in the roof approximately 3 feet in diameter above habitable space. The roof decking and rafters at these locations are severely rotted and or missing. The rest of the roof covering over the house is severely deteriorated and is likely leaking in other locations. There is an attached garage on the south side of the building. The garage roof has partially collapsed.

The second floor windows are missing and the openings have been boarded on the interior allowing driving rain to enter the structure. The remaining windows are rotting in place. The windows also show signs of excess moisture inside the building.

The building is vacant and has been secured but this only prevents people who generally obey the law from entering the building. In its current condition, the building constitutes a public nuisance and should be removed. I am writing to urge support for the issuance of the Demolition Permit.