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Re: Urban League vs. Carteret et als; Docket No. C-4122-73

Dear Judge Serpentelli:

As you are aware, Your Honor's original Letter Opinion dated July 27, 1984, ordering the Township of Monroe to revise its Land Use Regulations within ninety days of that date, has been extended through the end of December as set forth in your letter dated December 6, 1984. I am pleased to report that the Council of the Township of Monroe conducted four meetings during the month of December, at the conclusion of which the Council was able to arrive at a consensus as to a re-zoning which it is believed will achieve compliance with Your Honor's Order and the Township's fair share obligation.

As Your Honor is aware, Mayor Garibaldi directed the Township Engineer and Township Planner to refrain from attending any Mt. Laurel meetings of the governing body and as a result, the Council has been without the much-needed expert advice in the planning and zoning areas throughout its deliberations on Mt. Laurel compliance.

Having recently arrived at a consensus as to its re-zoning plan, the governing body has authorized the retention of Carl Hintz, Professional Planner, for the purpose of assisting the governing body in placing its compliance package in final form for submission to the Court, Carla Lerman and the Urban League. Mr. Hintz and I have met and he has indicated that he will require at least two weeks to digest the numerous reports and proposals of the various developers who have made presentations during the many public hearings conducted by the governing body. Following this two-week period, it is anticipated that an additional two weeks will be required in

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Accordingly, the governing body of the Township of Monroe has requested that the undersigned again petition Your Honor for a further extension of your Order for an additional thirty-day period. In addition to the above recited circumstances, this request is further necessitated by the Christmas and New Year holidays which has detracted from the ability of the governing body to continue its compliance efforts.

Inasmuch as I do not have the consent of opposing counsel in this matter, perhaps Your Honor may wish to consider this matter through the mechanism of a conference call. Thank you for your kind consideration to this matter.

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