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August 29, 2017

Ms. Colleen Greer
Code Enforcement
City of Fort Pierce
100 North US 1
Fort Pierce, FL 34950

Dear Ms. Greer:

This is in response to your letter Of August 18 (Case #15-2230 and tax ID 2415-311-000-000-3):

This is the first communication we have received from the City about a purported violation at the Royal Palm Shoppes (legal name Bamboo Palms LLC). First, Anne S. Freeman Esq. does not work or reside at the addressed property, 3609 S. Indian River Dr., Fort Pierce, FL 34982, and never has. She is or rather was a Clearwater, FL-based attorney who has been deceased for some time and as I understand it her office closed.

I can't begin to speculate why any communication between the City of Fort Pierce and her was not returned to you. I believe this explains why we, the manager, never received it. All taxes, water bills, etc. are and have been paid or this through this office. Never a problem.

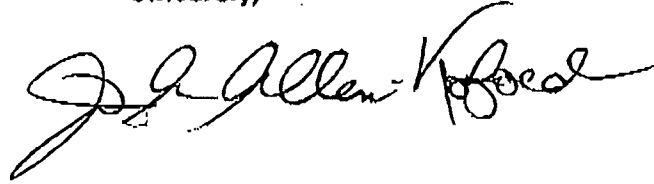
Yes, as manager of the Royal Palm Shoppes and owner's representative with full Power of Attorney, we do wish to appeal the fine. Please advise if there is anything further required from us to appeal it. But just as important, we want to correct the violation(s) as quickly as possible. At this point, we do not even know what the violation(s) is.

We look forward to working with you to resolve this matter to our mutual satisfaction. If you have difficulty reaching me on the above phone, please call my husband Bill who is very active in managing the property on his cell (772) 468-7355.

Thank you for your help and cooperation.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JoAnn Allen-Kofoed". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

JoAnn Allen-Kofoed
President, JoAnn & Associates

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Jean Allen-Kofoed, do hereby submit this Petition in request for a reduction in the total amount of the penalty imposed and in support offer the following statement:

August 29 was the first we knew about alleged violations at the Royal Palm Shoppes, 1717 S. US 1. All of the city's correspondence was sent to Anne Sunne Freeman, the Shoppes' former attorney (now deceased) in Clearwater, FL. We do not know a Miriam Vega who signed for the certified mail. I can't begin to speculate why this mail was not returned to the City of Fort Pierce. For some reason, the City's letter of August 18 was addressed to Mrs. Freeman at 3609 S. Indian River Dr., Fort Pierce, the correct address and where all tax and water bills are sent. All work requiring City permits uses that address. Mailing the violation notice to this address should have been done months ago, and we wouldn't have this problem today. In addition, no one in Code Enforcement notified the tenant Shoe Town. We also categorically deny that anyone has used this Bay for a residence. Our maintenance manager, Wayne Fuzzard, can verify this because he patrols the property every night (seven days a week). There have been no lights and no vehicles behind Bay 8 after 8 PM. Unidentified vehicles are towed. We have always worked with the City whenever a question or problem arises and want to continue to do so. We believe that this problem does not deserve a fine because we were unable to respond to the complaint in a timely manner.

Date: Sept. 6, 2017

Signed: Jean Allen-Kofoed

Print Name: JEAN ALLEN-KOFOED

STATE OF ~~FLORIDA~~ North Carolina

COUNTY OF ~~ST. LUCIE~~ Henderson

PERSONALLY APPEARED before me, the undersigned authority, Jean Allen who acknowledged before me that the information contained herein is true and correct. He or She is personally known to me and has produced Florida Drivers License identification.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me this 14th day of September, 2017

Thilly Woodard

Notary Public, State of Florida - North Carolina

