CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION

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UNREASONABLE HARDSHIP REQUEST

For Exceptions to Disabled Access Regulations, Title 24

1. Site Address:_____ 2. Floor:_____
3. Permit Application No.: _____ 4. Hardship Request No.: _____
5. Existing Use:_____ 6. Proposed Use: _____
7. Existing Occupancy: _____ 8. Proposed Occupancy:_____
9. Description of proposed work which triggers access compliance upgrades: _____

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CBC 1103B.1 – Accessibility to buildings or portions of buildings shall be provided for all occupancy classifications except as modified or enhanced by this chapter (11B). Occupancy requirements in this chapter may modify general requirements, but never to the exclusion of them. When a building or facility contains more than one use, the occupancy specific accessibility provisions for each portion of the building or facility shall apply.

We request that this project be granted an exception from the following specified requirements of Title 24 Part 2 of the California Code of Regulations because compliance would create an unreasonable hardship as defined in Section 202 of Title 24.

10. A. The access feature(s) that will not be provided is (are):
    - ❑ Primary Accessible Entrance
    - ❑ Other:_____
    - ❑ Path of Travel (includes path from parking)
    - ❑ Sanitary Facilities
    - ❑ Parking

    B. The code section(s) that requires (require) the specific accessible feature(s) is (are): _____

    _____

11. Detailed description of the accessible feature(s) that will <u>not</u> be provided. What is the condition now? Note location on the plans or provide attachments if necessary. _____

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12. Total cost of the project excluding this (these) accessible feature(s):_____

13. A. Cost of the accessible feature(s), which will not be provided: _____

    B. Percentage of total cost shown on Line 12 (divide line 13 by line 12):_____

14. Choose either "A" or "B":

    A. ❑ Equivalent facilitation is provided according to Code Section(s): _____
    Description of equivalent facilitation & why full compliance cannot be achieved:_____

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B. ❑ Equivalent facilitation is not provided because of the following:
❑ Cost constraints ❑ Physical constraints ❑ Legal constraints ❑ Other constraints _____
Description of constraint (Unreasonable Hardship). Provide attachments as needed.

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Note: Ratification by the Access Appeals Commission is generally required for Unreasonable Hardship Requests when the work is valued over the threshold amount based on the ENR Construction Cost Index for the year 2012, **$139,934.96**, and no equivalent facilitation is provided. Refer to the California Code of Regulations, Title 24 part 2, Section 1.9.1, Section 202 and Section 1134B.

16. Applicant's Name (Print):_____
❑ Owner ❑ Tenant ❑ Agent

Applicant's Signature: _____

17. Applicant's Address: _____

FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION STAFF USE ONLY

This exception for unreasonable hardship is:
❑ GRANTED FOR THIS PERMIT ONLY ❑ DENIED* ❑ REQUIRES AAC RATIFICATION*

Based on Section(s): _____ of the San Francisco Building Code, 2010 Edition

Plans reviewed by (print name): _____

Signature of the Plans Examiner: _____ Date: _____

Denied for the following reason(s): _____

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*Signature of the Group Supervisor: _____ Date: _____
(needed only when denied or requires AAC Ratification)

If your Unreasonable Hardship Request is to be denied, the plans examiner shall inform you of the reasons for denying that request. In addition, the plans examiner's group supervisor shall provide you with a second opinion regarding the denial.

To file an appeal with the Access Appeals Commission (AAC), please pay a filing fee of $374.00 and submit a document package consisting of eight individually bound notebooks. Please refer to the Access Appeals Commission Information Guide, available at the Customer Services desk, for more complete information. These appeal copies will be distributed by the Secretary of the AAC to each of the Commissioners. One copy is kept on file with the Secretary to the Commission for review as requested by any member of the public.

Please submit appeals in person to:

Secretary, Access Appeals Commission
1660 Mission Street, 3rd Floor
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 558-6168