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Village of Pinckney
220 S. Howell Street
Pinckney, MI 48169
Re: For Kids Sake Early Learning Center-Trailside
@ Community Congregational Church
PO Box 952
125 East Unadilla Street
Pinckney, MI 48169

Dear Zoning Administrator, Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals &/or Village Board,

I am writing to you regarding the special use permit granted for our child care environment at 125 E Unadilla St. During the special use meetings in November 2023, it was our intention to install a playground with the aid of a \$50,000 grant from the \$59 million facilities improvement grant program for child care centers in Michigan. Unfortunately, when the grant program closed earlier this year, we were not selected as recipients for the funding for playgrounds at either our Dexter Pinckney Road location or our Unadilla Street location.

While the Planning Commission graciously provided a July 1st, 2024 deadline for the construction of the proposed playground, there was no contingency plan made in the event that the grant funds, which were expected to be available for two years, were exhausted much sooner than anticipated. As a result, we find ourselves in a situation where it would be a great hardship to install a \$50,000 playground as initially proposed.

Given these circumstances, I respectfully request an extension of the special use permit without the requirement for a playground until September 1st, 2024. This extension will allow us to carefully consider the use, need, and expectations for a play space that is not a detriment to our business or the families we serve.

I appreciate your understanding and flexibility in this matter. During this extension period, I look forward to exploring a solution that aligns LARA, with our commitment to providing a safe and nurturing environment for the children in our care and within our community. We also prioritize respecting the processes of the Village of Pinckney.

I appreciate your consideration,

Julie Amy
CEO/Executive Director
For Kids Sake Early Learning Center
For Kids Sake- Trailside
ZANT Zone Summer Camp

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