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APPLICATION COVER PAGE

Date: 4/4/24

Date Received by ZBA: 4/4/24

Name of Applicant and Mailing Address: TODD Hitchings

30 Beaten Path, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Email Address: TODD@HITCHINGS.COM Telephone Number: 508-221-3711

Name of Owner and Mailing Address (If not Applicant): Julie Hitchings

30 Beaten Path, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Map and Lot #: 8-26 (-4-R)

Street Address of Subject Property: 30 Beaten Path, West Tisbury MA 02575

Applicant is: Owner's son (Owner, Tenant, Purchaser, Other)

Nature of Application (Special Permit, Appeal, Variance): Special Permit

Applicable Section of Zoning Bylaw: 9.3-3 4.4-3

Date of Denial by Building Inspector, Zoning Inspector, or Planning Board (If Applicable): 4-4-2024

Plot Plan: Must provide a plan by a registered surveyor showing the total property with the existing buildings, including the proposed project, all setback distances to be provided.

Plans: 2 sets of scaled drawings of floor plans that show total sq. ft. per floor (measured from exterior of wall), at least 2 elevations with one showing proposed height to ridge. If the project is an addition to existing structure please clearly identify proposed work.

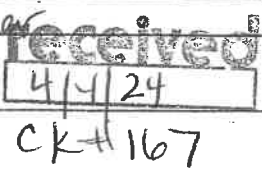
Description of proposed project: Please attach a detailed narrative.

I have read the overview of the ZBA process attached to this application and completed all sections of the application cover page and therefore request a hearing before the West Tisbury Zoning Board of Appeals with reference to the above noted application.

Signed: Julie M. Hitchings

Title(s): Owner

Application fee of \$200.00 is required. Date Paid: 4/4/24



To Whom it may concern,

My name is Todd Hitchings and my wife is Abigail Hitchings (Entner). We both were born on island and grew up in West Tisbury and are lucky enough to be able to live in my parents guest house at 30 Beaten Path for the time being and hopefully the foreseeable future. We were recently married last September and have looked forward to the next step in our lives together of having children. This is a bit of a daunting concept for many reasons, of course, one of them being the lack of available housing a small family faces currently on the Vineyard. We do, as I said, consider ourselves very fortunate to have the space we currently do but at only 500 sq. ft. It is too small to raise a family in. When the house we live in was built in 2001 the allowed size was 500 sq.ft. which has since been amended to 800. We are proposing adding a bedroom, small bathroom and entryway in a 300 sq. ft. addition that would give us the much needed extra space to move forward in the house we are in and grow as a family. This island is our home and there is a reason that we have returned to settle after having tried to live elsewhere over the years. We have our roots here. We have our families here and want to stay to but it has been increasingly difficult as the years go on. This addition would be a gigantic step for us in allowing us to stay and seeing as how it fits under current zoning, I would hope that it would be approved.

Thank you for your consideration,

Todd & Abigail Hitchings

West Tisbury