BEFORE THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF SUSSEX COUNTY

IN RE: JAIME HOOKS (Case No. 10972)

A hearing was held after due notice on May 21, 2012. The Board members present were: Mr. Dale Callaway, Mr. Jeff Hudson, Mr. John Mills, Mr. Norman Rickard, and Mr. Brent Workman.

Nature of the Proceedings

This is an application for a special use exception to operate a daycare facility.

Findings of Fact

The Board found that the Applicant was seeking a special use exception to operate a daycare facility on certain real property east of north of Road 494 (Airport Road) approximately 593 feet east of Road 497 (Old Hickory Road); said property being identified as Sussex County Tax Map Parcel Number 4-32-7.00-28.05. After a hearing, the Board made the following findings of fact:

- 1. Jaime Hooks was present to testify on behalf of the Application.
- 2. The Board found that the Applicant testified that she currently runs a home day care on the Property and that she has been operated the day care business for four (4) years.
- 3. The Board found that the Applicant testified that the hours of operation are 6:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.
- 4. The Board found that the Applicant testified that the ages of the children are from eight (8) weeks old to thirteen (13) years old and that she will care for approximately fourteen (14) children and two (2) of her own children.
- 5. The Board found that the Applicant testified that she will hire one (1) employee to help care for the children.
- 6. The Board found that the Applicant testified that there is adequate parking and that the dwelling is approximately 2,000 square feet.
- 7. The Board found that the Applicant testified that there is no adverse effect to the neighboring properties.
- 8. The Board found that Jill Krammer testified in support of the Application. Ms. Krammer testified that she is the Applicant's mother and that she owns the adjacent properties.
- 9. The Board found that no parties appeared in opposition to the Application.
- 10. Based on the findings above and the testimony presented at the public hearing, the Board determined that the Application met the standards for granting a special use exception because the use does not substantially affect adversely the uses of adjacent or neighboring properties.

The Board granted the special use exception application finding that it met the standards for granting a special use exception.

Decision of the Board

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the application was granted. The Board Members in favor were Mr. Dale Callaway, Mr. Jeff Hudson, Mr. John Mills, Mr. Norman Rickard, and Mr. Brent Workman. No Board Members voted against the Application.

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Dale Callaway Chairman

If the use is not established within one (1) year from the date below the application becomes void.

Date June 19,2012