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Town of Palm Beach Planning, Zoning & Building Department Architectural Commission 360 South County Road Palm Beach, FL 33480

Dear ARCOM Commissioners:

I strongly object to the project and variances requested for ARC-22-129 (ZON-22-089) 515 N. Lake Way, Palm Beach, Florida 33480.

The project is overbearing. Its massive scale exceeds what is appropriate for the small size of the lot and would be a very visible exception (on the corner of Tangier and North Lake Way) to a neighborhood that otherwise adheres well to existing ordinances. I am sure that there are many reasonable designs that would comply with existing code and the character of the neighborhood. Accordingly, the request should be for the "minimum variance to make reasonable use of the property." Also, there are safety considerations at this intersection that should not be compromised to enable a larger project. Finally, providing such atypically extensive variances that allow the construction of a larger and taller home on a smaller plot, that imposes upon a neighbor's privacy, that alters neighborhood character, and that selectively benefits one party at the expense of the community sets a poor precedent.

The project and the related requested variances should be denied.

Thank you,

Richard Rothschild