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Mr. Richard G. Hayman Building and Zoning Commissioner City of Napoleon 255 Riverview Avenue Napoleon, Ohio 43545

Dear Mr. Hayman,

As per our conversation of February 2, 1981, the Henry County Board of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities requests a determination of zoning use for the Chief building at 125 East Maumee in Napoleon. The intended use of the building would be the establishment of a sheltered workshop and work activity center. Currently the building is zoned general business.

Textbook definitions of sheltered workshops and work activities are found in the rules of the Division of Mental Retardation/Developmental Disabilities governing the County Boards of Mental Retardation (effective July 1, 1976.)

Sheltered Workshops

A charitable organization or institution that contracts with a County Board of Mental Retardation and meets the requirements of a nonprofit corporation. The purpose of the sheltered workshop is to carry out a recognized program of habilitation for handicapped workers, and to provide such individuals with remunerative employment at wages which are lower than the minimum wage applicable under Section 6, Title 29, Part 525, Department of Labor, but not less than 50 per centum of such wages and which are co-munsurate with those paid non-handicapped workers in industry in the vicinity for essentially the same type, quality and quantity of work.

Work Activity Center

A Workshop or physically separate department of a sheltered workshop having an identifiable program, separate supervision and records planned and designed exclusively to provide therapeutic activities for handicapped workers whose physical or mental impairment is so severe as to make their productive capacity less than 50 per centum of the minimum wage applicable under Section 6, Title 29, Part 525, Department of Labor.

The adult programs encompass a large scope of service including education, habilitation, supplementary service, vocational and other training or employment for persons unable to participate in the competitive labor market. Some contracting work is probable so light industrial work may be included in vocational training.

I trust this information will be helpful in the determination of zoning use. Please do not hesitate to call for further clarification if necessary.

Sincerely,

Gary D. Donaldson Superintendent

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cc Mr. Tandy Mr. Wesche