To Whom It May Concern,



I, Eric Caron, living at 51 Woodfield Dr. Webster, NY 14580, am a applying for an area variance for my batting cage located on the southeast quadrant of my property. I played division I college baseball and have been coaching youth baseball since I was 16. I have 3 boys, all of which play travel baseball and my oldest son performs at a very high level (invited to end of year national showcase in Florida) and is just starting his freshman year. For the last 5 years (we moved in to this home in July 2017) we have been consistently driving around looking for open batting cages to use prior to games and for additional practice sessions...with many of those trips requiring multiple destinations to find something open or not at all. In order to reduce this frustration, I decided to purchase a batting cage for my family this past Christmas.

Based on the dimensions of the cage, it was determined that the location chosen is the only feasible spot in which to place the structure. We live on a corner lot and chose to place the batting cage on the side yard (less busy and on a street with only 4 houses). In addition, we have a fenced in pool in the backyard and a walkway leading to it from the driveway. This would have to be removed in order to place the cage closer to the house.

We have many kids living in the neighborhood that use the batting cage and have had at least 100 individuals provide positive views towards its existence (most of them saying that it is a great addition for the kids in the neighborhood...and that they are lucky). We asked the neighbors closest to the batting cage if they had any issues with it prior to construction and everyone gave their blessing to have it built.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Eric Caron





