

AFFIDAVIT

I, **MALCOLM SODALAY** the undersigned bearing Identity Number **710917 5180 084**

RESIDING AT 56 FOREST LANE OVERPORT DURBAN 4091

do hereby declare the following:

I did have an AMAFA approval and plans approved by eThekweni Municipality at 11 PALM GROVE, OVERPORT, DURBAN. On closer inspection once we set up on site, we discovered the following:

1. The internal layout proposed was very drastic and called for a great many changes. The house layout as it stood suited us better and had fewer alterations. The only change we needed was to make the room at the back bigger and to add a laundry and scullery.
2. Although we intended keeping the windows and external doors intact. We were unable to do so. The framework was borer infested and any treatment e.g., Sanding, painting etc. we tried to implement to them was impossible.
3. We reduced the size of window openings and in the case of the front porch, eliminated the sliding stacking doors entirely for security reasons. My security cameras have had criminals just climb walls and gates and enter the property in broad daylight on these sites.
4. The recent storms with torrential rains and winds further brought on destructions to the existing building structures which caused further significant damage to the property.

Changes occurred as construction was already under-way on the approved plans as per the last AMAFA approval however, as problems arose (e.g., The intensive borer infestation in the framework of the windows, doors and floors) I was compelled to make decisions to facilitate the building process.


I could not leave the site unattended, halfway through construction and open to unwanted visitors while trying to get approvals which were taking months to be resolved. I acknowledge I may have been hasty in my decision, but my intentions were to ensure that the site and the buildings were protected and were guided by the appointed professional engineer's and pest control officers. I could not afford additional costs that would have forced me to close the site up with incomplete structures.

I make the above statement conscientiously believing the same to be true.

SIGNED:


Signed before me at Durban on this 6th day of March 2023

Commissioner of oaths: _____

I certify that this document is a true reproduction (copy) of the original document which was handed to me for authentication. I further certify that, from my observation, an amendment or a change was not made to the original document.	
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