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Amafa aKwaZulu Natali 195 Langalibalele Street Pietermaritzburg 3201

Dear Sir Madam

# PROPOSED ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO EXISTING DWELLING AND OUTBUILDING AT ERF 1182 DURBAN NORTH @ NO. 34 ST ANDREWS DRIVE

This Letter serves as motivation for Amafa aKwaZulu Natali's approval for the deviation to previously approved permit for out building demolition and additions & alterations to ex dwelling – **Ref 21/291** 

As part of the client's home improvement and due to the condition of the existing house, in consultation with the us the client has opted to do upgrades and alteration to the existing structures on site to improve the living spaces within their daily livings. The main focus is to improve the functionality of all the living spaces. The existing out building [Garage and Servants room] has structural issues and the owner wish to demolish the existing out building and build a new double garage with a more spacious Servants Room.

There's an existing main dwelling and out building on site

### **Significance:**

#### Original date of construction:

The Main Dwelling and Outbuilding were originally built in 1945and therefore the structures are 76 years old

### **Historical Significance:**

The existing structure has been used as a dwelling since it has been completed. There is no strong historical significant on the existing dwelling. The original building had no architectural significant and since then the house has since been altered to which now seem to have characteristics of the Gothic Revival Roof Design House and no longer has any contribution to the collective history of the area. The dwelling shows sign of various alterations that has been made to it during it life span. The result is a building with much diffused historic and architectural significance.

### **Architectural Significance:**

Due to numerous alterations to the house, it no longer holds any original architectural significance.



# **Urban Setting and Adjoining Properties:**

Most of the neighboring properties have been altered and some completely redeveloped. The area is an urban area and mostly characterized by modern developed dwellings along the same street

### We have outlined the motivation for all deviations:

- The deviations were only on the proposed glazed windows garage.
- No deviations to previously approved structures.

# **Proposed New Work:**

- The client intends to erect a viewing deck at the back of the house in order to appreciate the sea views.
- The proposed new deck will be constructed of timber with timber balustrading.
- The proposed new deck wont be visible from the road.

# In view of the above we request your approval of the additions and alterations of the existing structures.

I hope you find all the above in order and to our favor.

Yours Faithful

Andile Gwala for and on behalf

**Deep Thought Architecture** 

