



July 23, 2025

Florida Building Commission & Accessibility Advisory Council  
Florida Department of Business & Professional Regulation  
2601 Blair Stone Road  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

**RE:**     *Vertical Accessibility Waiver Request*  
          *12 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034*

Dear Members of the Commission and Council,

I am writing in support of the request for an accessibility waiver for the above referenced structure in the Downtown Fernandina Beach Historic District.

The structure at 12 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street is a modest one-story, frame vernacular residence built in circa 1900. As a “contributing structure” in the Downtown Fernandina Beach District, the structure qualifies as a historic building under Federal ADA regulations, the ADA Accessibility Guidelines (ADAAG) and Chapter 11 of the Florida Building Code.

The proposed renovation project includes converting the front portion of the building into a small 800 SF retail space. The applicant is seeking a vertical accessibility waiver due to the disproportionate cost of installing a new ADA-compliant ramp.

Thank you for your consideration on this request.

Sincerely,

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President, Miranda Architects

