## Kensington Congregational Church 108 Amesbury Road Kensington, NH 03833

March 20, 2024

Town of Kensington NH Planning Board 95 Amesbury Road Kensington, NH 03833

Subject: Request for waiver from Lot Line setbacks Section 3.3.B.3.b

The Kensington Congregational Church would request that the requirement for ".... 50' from a lot line or 100' from an established right of way ...." be waived for the following reasons:

- 1. Strict conformity would pose an unnecessary hardship to the applicant because the Congregational Church was built around 1867, before any zoning regulations and should be considered a non-conforming structure. No expansion of the structure is being requested and so won't worsen the non-conformity status.
- 2. The waiver is not contrary to the spirit and intent of the regulations in that the use requested, a childcare facility for up to 12 children, is allowed by law within a private home with no variance need.
- 3. Special conditions of the property, i.e. an active church in the Residential / Agricultural zone wishing to expand its mission of serving the families of the Kensington area, will carry out the spirit and intention of the regulations.

Thank you for your consideration.

Michael A. Schwotzer, Treasurer Kensington Congregational Church