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## TOWN OF BELMONT ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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CASE NO.

17-29

**APPLICANT:** 

Jeanne and Joel Mooney

PROPERTY:

60 Oak Ave.

DATES OF PUBLIC HEARING: November 6, 2017

**MEMBERS SITTING:** 

Nick Ianuzzi (Chairman)

Jim Zarkadas Faustino Lichauco Andrew Plunkett

Phil Ruggerio (Associate Member)

**MEMBERS VOTING:** 

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The Applicant sought to modify an as-of-right dormer by extending the distance between the outer wall of the dormer and the roof midline. This triggered the need for two special permits: one for increasing lot coverage from 34.9% to 35.0% and another from reducing the rear setback from 29.7 feet to 29.5 feet.

The loss of rear setback arises because the rear property line is not parallel to the front property line. The footprint of the house is square with the front line and therefore cannot be square with the rear line. Because of this, the rear set-back line just barely clips the corner of the house with the proposed dormer.

Although this special permit could have easily been avoided creating a slight jog in the dormer, the result would appear rather contrived and far more noticeable than simply having the corner intrude into the forbidden zone by a small amount.

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the increase in lot coverage was small and that it was caused by an eave and not a structure, it would have been difficult to argue that it would result in substantial detriment to the neighborhood surrounding the property than what exists.

Accordingly, upon motion made and seconded the Board voted 5-0 to grant the two Special Permits requested.

For the Board:

Dated: November 8, 2017

Ara Yogurtian //
Assistant Director

Office of Community Development

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Ellen O'Brien Cushman, hereby certify that twenty (20) days have elapsed after the decision was filed in the office of the Belmont Town Clerk on November 8, 2017, and a Scrivener's Error was filed in the office of the Belmont Town Clerk on November 15, 2017, further I certify that no appeal has been filed with regard to the granting of said two (2) Special Permits with zero (0) conditions.

November 29, 2017

Ellen O'Brien Cushman, Town Clerk Belmont, MA

Any appeal from this decision must be made pursuant to Ch.40A, S.17, MGL, and must be filed within 20 days after the filing of such notice in the office of the Town Clerk.

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# MODIFICATION OF DECISION TO CORRECT SCRIVENER'S ERROR

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# TOWN OF BELMONT ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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ZBA 17-29

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**Date of Public Hearing:** 

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In the decision, a scrivener's error was made – the hearing date was inadvertently transcribed.

➤ On the first page of the decision the date of the Public Hearing was transcribed as May 16, 2016. The correct date of the Public Hearing is November 6, 2017.

On Behalf of the Zoning Board of Appeals

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