Michael William Drake & Ricki Ann Drake Explanation for "Conditional Use Permit"

For the property at:

12007- 3<sup>rd</sup> St. NE Blaine, MN 55434

My wife Ricki and I bought my parents' home last May. The connection we have with this property is very important to us; because it is where my parents lived since 1969.

The property is wonderful; but the house and the garage are too small. We would like to keep our vehicles inside a garage; a 2001 Dodge Pickup and a 2005 Saturn Vue, plus my hobby car a 1952 Chevrolet; the car my parents brought me home from the hospital in when I was born. I also would like a place for my gardening tools and our lawn tractor. Also, my wife and I do various projects to continue improving our home, which we really enjoy.

The house we owned since 1986 in Coon Rapids, sold this last summer, had a four car garage as well {Two Wide Two Deep}; plus a beautiful screened gazebo. We improved our home so well that it set the post-recession comp. for our neighborhood.

We are proud to live in Blaine, and hope to live here the rest of our lives, please consider our request.

If you have any questions please feel free to call.

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Thank you Michael W. Drake & Ricki Ann Drake