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Dear Ms. Bartholomew:

It has come to my attention, from Mark Stimac, Director of Building and Zoning, that my term on the Zoning Board of Appeals will expire on April 1st of this year. He further advised that, because of the policy of the City of Troy, committee members are term limited to three (3) terms. He pointed out that, in my case, I was appointed in January of 2000 to fill the remaining three (3) months of an unexpired term on the Zoning Board of Appeals because of the death of one of its members. I have been reappointed two (2) times since then, once in March of 2000 and the second time in March of 2003. Apparently, my three (3) month appointment is treated, under the terms of the City of Troy policy, as one (1) term.

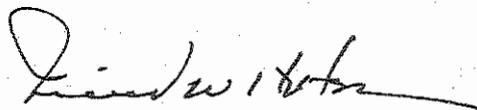
It has come to my attention, in looking at this matter, that I am not the only one affected by this policy. To my knowledge, the Advisory Board for Disabilities, the Employee Retirement System Board, the Liquor Advisory Committee, and the Retirement Health Care Benefit and Trust Committee are similarly affected, with the result that there are more appointees besides myself who may wish to continue to serve an additional amount of time on their respective boards, but may be prohibited from doing so.

Would you be kind enough to perhaps put this item on the agenda of the Troy Council for discussion and, hopefully, it may want to consider defining term as a full three (3) year term and excluding from the process of determining a term limit any appointment for a number of months less than a full thirty-six (36) months.

Your consideration is appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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