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February 8, 2005

To: Board of Plumber and Gas Fitters Examiners
From: Robert J. Schumm
Subj: Appeal - Plumbing Code

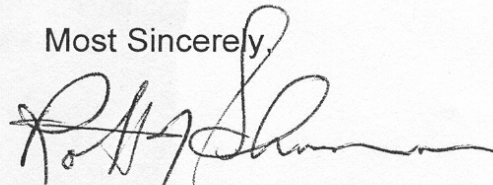
Dear Mr. Chairperson,

I am requesting an appeal of section 701.1.2 (materials) of the city plumbing code before the Board of Plumbing and Gas Fitters Appeals of the City of Lawrence, Kansas.

This appeal is made by myself, Robert J. Schumm, the property owner at 717, 719, and 721 Massachusetts, dba Buffalo Bob's Smokehouse.

My appeal to the board is as follows: I am requesting the use of P.V.C. pipe above slab to remodel and expand my kitchen, bathrooms, and service stations in my business. This request is based on the fact that during the 35 years that I have been in business, I have had numerous failures of cast iron pipe which has resulted in expensive replacement as well as health and sanitation problems when cast iron soil pipes leak, split open, or generally rot out. Because of the volume of waste and the type of waste we generate (ie soda products and beer), we are seeing rapid deterioration in these cast iron pipes. (I have had failure in new cast iron pipes in as little as 8 years). I am of the belief that cast iron pipe products are not the same quality today that they were years ago. Therefore, due to sanitary and health considerations in my restaurant as well as the high cost of replacement when cast iron pipes fail, I am requesting the use of P.V.C. piping.

Most Sincerely,

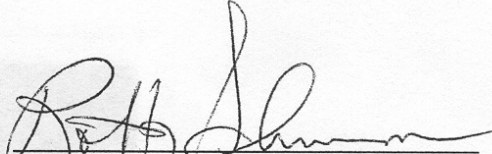

Robert J. Schumm
Building Owner

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I, Robert J. Schumm, swear under the penalty of perjury, that all statements made above are true and correct.



Robert J. Schumm

