STATE OF ILLINOIS )		TO THE LEE COUNTY BOARD
COUNTY OF LEE )		
IN THE MAT	TER OF THE PETITION	) PETITION NO. <u>24-P-142</u> 4
Petitioner's Na Address:	OF  me: Michael & Tammy Doughty 88 Palmyra Road Sterling, IL 61081	RECEIVED  MAY 1 0 2024  BY:
PETITION: <u>VARIANCE</u>		
The Petitioner, Michael and Tammy Doughty states as follows:  1. The Petitioner owns the real estate legally described as: PPN# 16-07-06-200-012  2. The property is located at 88 Palmyra Rd, Sterling, IL. Property is located in Palmyra Township, Section 6, TWP 21 RNG 8 PT G.L. 1 NEQ  3. The property is presently zoned as: AG-1  4. Variance requested for: See attached.		
Send Bill to:  Michael Doughty  Date		
88 Palmyra Rd		
Sterling, IL		
Phone: 815-622-2868		
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD:  Date:, at 7:00 p.m. 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor, Boardroom  Old Lee County Courthouse, 112 East Second Street, Dixon, Illinois 61021		

## **VARIANCE REQUEST**

88 Palmyra Road, Sterling, IL

We are requesting a variance to construct a single garage/storage building (approximate size – 14' x 28' with 10' walls) along the north property line. The preferred site as shown on attachment A, requires a variance due to the location being within the 15' setback requirement. This location previously had a building as evidenced by the remaining foundations.

This variance is requested based on Section 10-10B-1 E.2 due to the irregular size of the lot and locations of other facilities on the property. There is an open area in the northwest portion of the property, however, as noted on attachment A, most of this area includes the septic field for the property, and therefore is unavailable for placing a building.

There is a site just to the east of the circle drive that would not require a variance, however, construction at this location blocks some of our landscaping, and we would prefer this building not be visible from the front of the house. Most of the rest of the front yard is unavailable due to the 75' setback requirements. Additionally, we have had some discussions toward the possibility of installing a solar power system, and this location is the best location for the solar panels, according to the solar installers we have contacted. We are not currently planning to install such a system but would like to maintain the option.

We have included attachment B showing the surrounding properties. The adjoining property to the north is an agricultural field, so we expect the impact to that property to be minimal.





