

**The Joint Committee on the Rehabilitation Building and Fire Code for Existing Buildings and Structures met at their headquarter located at 2 Regan Court, Mathias Building #56, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, July 15, 2014 at 2:30 P.M. Present were Chairman Newbrook, Vice Chairman Bernard and Commissioners Pimentel, Preiss and Richard. Commissioner Stillings, Pearson, Jackson, Blackburn and Turner were absent. Present were Executive Secretary W. Keith Burlingame, Esq. and Administrative Assistant Desiree Campanini.**

**APPEAL TO BE HEARD:**

**The Following cases were heard.**

**APPEAL #R140009: Timothy Wensus, P.E. (Hughes Associates), for the property located at 189 Canal Street, Providence. ADSFM Scott Derry appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Building Official Tony Carvalho appeared for the Building Official's Office. Commissioner Preiss made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard to accept the Applicant's proposed plan of action and grant the Applicant variance base on structural hardship for existing headroom to remain as is in the basement of this facility. The Board granted the Applicant a variance which will allow the new stair to discharge through the first floor of the existing condition based on structural hardship. The Applicant requested relief based on structural hardship to allow the existing guardrail system in stairway #2 to remain in its existing condition. The Board granted the**

**Applicant variance from the dimensional relief on the ship's ladder to access the unoccupied roof top. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**APPEAL #R140003: Mr. Lawrence Cheng, for the property located at 25 Holden Street, Providence. ADSFM Timothy Lutz appeared for the Providence Fire Marshal's Office. Providence Building Official's Tony Carvalho and David Rodio appeared for the Providence Building Official's Office. Vice Chairman Bernard made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pimentel to allow the Applicant not to provide Type B units for the second phase of the project. As a condition of this variance the Applicant is voluntarily providing 2% Type A units total of four (4) and that the first phase of the project has been provided with one hundred ninety-two (192) Type B units for a total of 44% of all units. The Applicant request relief based on structural hardship to allow the forty (40) of the existing windows on the 4th, 5th and 6th floors dimensional relief less thirty-six (36) sill height. As condition of this relief the Board directs the Applicant to protective hardware and/or locks limiting the window operation of the twelve (12) windows identified on the 4th and 5th floors to four (4) inches. The motion was approved unanimously.**

**Respectfully submitted**

**Desiree Campanini**

# **Administrative Assistant**