City of Spokane Planning Services Department City Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> floor

To Whom it may concern:

I, Drusilla A. Hieber as manager member, and owner of the JGFH,LLC submitted to the City of Spokane a General Application and Notification Map Application on June 14, 2014 and issued a check on June 16, 2014 for the amount of \$2460.00 for removal of a exterior stair that is located on the skywalk between the Bennett Block Building and The Parkade, and the Macy's Building.

The stair location is attached to parcel number 35184.1905.

The purpose of removal of the exterior stair is a safety issue that has developed through the years, especially in the winter months. In the past years I have the stair shut down for pedestrian usage due to ice dams to the treads with the potential risk for fall. Through major renovation of the Bennett Block I have built a interior pedestrian stair less than 30 yards to the north to replace the hazardous exterior stair. Currently in construction we are enclosing the exterior elevator and stair in the rear of the Bennett Block that faces the parking lot, and park.

As President of Parkade Inc, this will not have any impact on Pedestrian traffic, or will it have any impact to Macy's do to the fact that both adjoining properties have interior access with stairs and elevators for the public to enter and exit .

I feel that it is important to keep the public safe and secured through out the skywalk system, and the removal of this stair will satisfy the safety for the pedestrian.

Respectfully,

Drusilla A. Hieber