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Dear Camden Planning Officer

The property that I wish to change from an A1 Shop to a D1 Clinic is an isolated unit on a residential street: 1A Woodsome Road NW5 1RX. It is the only shop on the street. As a shop, it has had several businesses that have not survived; a used dress shop, a boutique garden shop, and lately a showroom for specialist tables and chairs in which the shop was closed and the only viewings could be made from the street. Between these businesses the shop has been vacant for months at a time.

As an osteopath who has been practising for the past 24 years in premises 50 meters away, I would like to move my established clinic into this shop. I have to vacate my present building in two months time as it is being sold and changed back into a residential dwelling. I have looked for other spaces in the area but nothing is available. If I don't obtain this unit, I will have to move out the area. My colleagues and myself treat a large number of the local community and get referrals from the local GPs, pharmacists, and health care workers. Our patients range in age from a 95-year-old local woman to newborn babies. We also have reduced rates for those on low income. The proposed clinic will simply consist of a small waiting area and one treatment room. As I have already been working around the corner in a similar fashion for the past two and a half decades, the new clinic will not increase any new traffic or congestion but will continue to offer a beneficial service to the area. To prevent this street from

being a purely residential one my proposal will continue to add some variety to this street by having an attractive shop front in keeping with the area.

Enclosed are photos of the shop and petitions from local GPs, pharmacists, and patients in support of my proposal.

Sincerely yours

Robert Zagar

