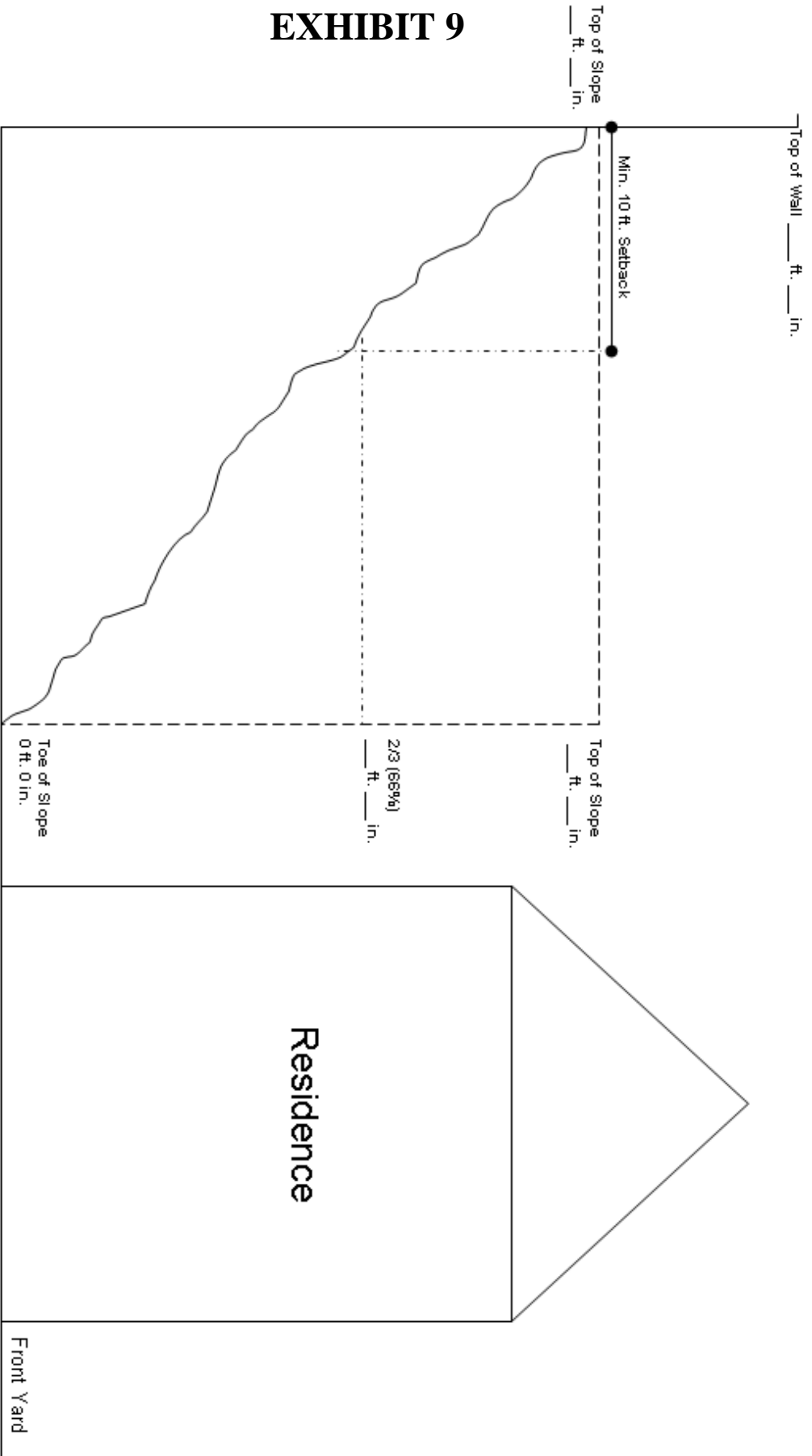


EXHIBIT 9



V.G.6.(b) Slope Improvement Exhibit