

10-7-5 Doctor wins rezoning T-U

GUILDERLAND — A Mc-Kownville pediatrician's rezoning request has been granted by the town board, a decision which is expected to end a three-year problem for the doctor who has battled with neighbors over his present location. The board voted Tuesday night to grant the request of Dr. Anthony Mastrianni to change 2.5 acres on Schoolhouse Road adjacent to the Thruway underpass from residential to business use.

Mastrianni would like to purchase the property from a Guilderland real estate developer to construct a medical office complex so he can move his practice from 1461 Western Ave.

Mastrianni has been in and out of court with the town, which attempted to enforce an alleged violation of a zoning ordinance that says a doctor must live in the building where he practices in a residential zone. Mastrianni

faced strong opposition to the practice from residents who claimed the office was harming the residential character of their neighborhood and creating traffic problems.

Mastrianni must still obtain a special use permit from the zoning board to build new quarters.