



## OAK BLUFFS FIRE-EMS DEPARTMENT

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Jill Robie-Axtell  
Executive Director  
YMCA of Martha's Vineyard  
111R Vineyard Haven Road,  
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568

Dear Jill,

On behalf of the Oak Bluffs Fire Department, I am pleased to offer my support for the expansion of the YMCA of Martha's Vineyard.

We have been coordinating closely with Fennick McCredie Architecture to review compliance with the Fire Department requirements regarding life safety and emergency access.

The YMCA of Martha's Vineyard provides valuable services to the Island community, and this expansion will enable the YMCA to meet the demands of the growing population while increasing the available resources for its members. The YMCA's dedication to youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility plays a vital role in building community here on Martha's Vineyard.

I fully endorse this project and wish you success.

Respectfully,

**Nelson Wirtz**  
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