

Dear. MV Commission,

November 1, 2019

As a taxpayer in Tisbury, as well as someone who grew up in Tisbury, I am impressed with the proposal that the Hale's have made regarding expanding the Martha's Vineyard Shipyard. The Hale's are an island family, who truly care about our precious island. They are not some investor that only care about money, they have deep roots and care what happens in our town.

I sat down with the Hale's and they explained to me the proposal they have drafted for a new marina in the lagoon. I have to admit, I was a little hesitant about it prior to talking with them, but that changed after speaking with them. I was more than impressed at all the research they have done regarding their proposal. This proposal is a well thought out plan that really looks at the project as a whole from all different angles. The waterfront is designed to be a working waterfront and this proposal helps maintain the purpose of this area. This proposal will help create more recreational boat access, which is needed in Tisbury. Most day trip boaters go to Oak Bluffs or Edgartown, so by promoting boaters to come to Tisbury, this could help our other local businesses. This will also help our local families enjoy our beautiful water as well. They have thoroughly investigated the environmental impact that a project like this can have and made the plan environmentally friendly. While I know that change is hard, I believe this is the type of change that Tisbury needs to help our town increase revenue, while also improving the aesthetics of our town.

Please consider supporting this project. The Hale's are a stand up island family that are trying to continue their multi generation island run business and offering sustainable year round jobs to our island population. I feel this is the type of business that our community should be supporting. Thank you for taking the time to read this.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Samantha Cron".

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