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Adam Turner  
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Dear Mr. Turner,

Our housing crisis is one of, if not the most important single issue we face as an island community. The long-term well-being of our community depends upon secure housing. Having worked to solve housing issues over the past 22 years, time and again it has struck me how hard it is to play catch up with our dwindling housing stock and especially in the recent years since COVID. We have never lost so many year-round homes to seasonal owners in such a short time before.

Martha's Vineyard has limited locations that are ideal for larger scale housing especially in our now developed phase. The Southern Tier Project has many attributes of an ideal location, close to major towns, schools and public transportation.

We need to do a lot to stem the erosion of the people we need to keep the island a healthy community, economically diverse and fully vibrant. I support this proposal by the Island Housing Trust and its partner, Affirmative Investments. This is an important project as it will provide a larger amount of homes than the typical project and I expect that we will have many more smaller projects in the near future- we have to. Thank you for supporting the community that depends on you.

Sincerely,

Jim Feiner, Principal, Feiner Real Estate