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MVC Board of Commissioners
New York Ave Oak Bluffs, MA
RE: Northern Pines Subdivision

Dear MVC Board of Commissioners,

I am writing in support of the Packers' subdivision. I have known the Packers since I could walk. I feel blessed to have had the opportunity to spend a significant portion of my youth on the Farm. Some of my best childhood memories involve my time there. I have learned valuable life lessons while helping out.

I learned to respect nature during my time on the farm by helping feed the pigs, collecting eggs and feeding chickens, swimming with baby ducks in the pond and riding the horses bareback. I learned first hand the necessity of pulling your own weight, being an active member of a team when it was time to move the animals from field to field everyone had to do their part in order to be successful. I helped to harvest the meat birds too. Our job as kids was to catch the chickens and deliver them to the slaughter spot then bring the whole birds to the processing porch. Understanding and respecting food sources are lessons I learned with the Packers on the Farm.

I provide these life experiences of the working farm, to show the care the Packers have taken of the land, and what they have helped to instill in us lucky enough to be raised on the farm with their kids.

David, Nathaniel and Charlotte have been raised to value and respect their land. I am sure the like, John and Janet, they too will take good care of it for future generations.

Thank you for your consideration.
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