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Subject: Please support new Stop & Shop plan

Hello Mark & Paul:

I am a full time Vineyard Haven resident, retired, and living on a modest income. Since moving to the island in the late 1990s I have maintained an active interest in the town and the island in general. I served on the William Street Historic District Commission for approximately 10 years and have volunteered with a number of island non-profits.

I believe that the current Vineyard Haven Stop & Shop property and adjacent building are an eyesore and sad visual welcome to those arriving in Vineyard Haven. I believe that the structure proposed by Stop & Shop would be a great improvement and that it would fit in with the eclectic architectural flavor of the town.

Stop & Shop is an important part of the town's business structure providing a valuable service to members of the community and especially those who shop with limited budgets.

It seems to me that many of the doomsday arguments that are being offered in objection to the Stop & Shop proposal are similar to the cries that went out when we discussed and finally passed the resolution supporting the sale and consumption of beer and wine at restaurants in Tisbury or the prediction of mass calamity that would surely result from the construction of the very successful roundabout on the Vineyard Haven/Edgartown Road.

I urge you both to support the expansion plan proposed by Stop & Shop.

Respectfully,

Peter McChesney
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Vineyard Haven

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