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Martha's Vineyard Commission
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To Whom it May Concern:

I hope and pray that the MV Commission will approve the plan of Navigator Homes of Martha's Vineyard.

Since MV Hospital must close the Windemere Eldercare facility soon in order to renovate the building for doctors' offices, and

Since the island has a dire need for residential elder care for its rapidly growing vulnerable population,

I believe the Navigator Homes' "Green House Projects Design" offers a visionary and viable answer to this need.

For several years I have served as a volunteer under Betsy Burmeister's supervision at Windemere. I know what it means for the residents' quality of life to be able in their twilight years to remain on the Vineyard near family, friends, with familiar customs, surroundings, and networks of medical and spiritual support.

The Islanders on the Board of Navigator Homes of MV have carefully researched the "Green House" elder care design and have visited some of the residences now operating. There are now some 360 homes in 32 states.

Please give your support and approval to the proposal of Navigator Homes of Martha's Vineyard.

Sincerely,

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