January 29, 2023

Adam Turner MVC Executive Director 33 New York Ave, Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

Dear Mr. Turner,

Please accept this as a letter of support for the Southern Tier neighborhood.

The MV Commission's 2020 Housing Needs Assessment recommended the production of 50 units of affordable housing annually. This need for affordable housing is generally talked about as a measure to maintain the services we all depend on and enjoy. What's much more important though, is to confer a basic level of respect for all people in a community. This is a major opportunity to accomplish that.

I support the development of the Southern Tier neighborhood by Island Housing Trust and its partner, Affirmative Investments, as it will provide critically needed affordable housing in the town of Oak Bluffs.

Sincerely,

Elissa Turnbull

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