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Subject: Pratt letter of support for Southern Tier
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Dear Mr. Turner

I am writing in support of immediate approval of the Southern Tiers Housing Project. As a member of both the Aquinnah Conservation Commission and the Aquinnah Housing Committee, I am fully aware of the need for balance in protecting our human and natural resources. Island Housing Trust (IHT) has demonstrated time and again their ability to develop quality housing that transforms the lives of Islanders in positive ways while also being environmentally sensitive. I wish one could say the same for all building projects on the island.

We all know that we desperately need solutions to our housing crisis. Your organization itself has analyzed the situation and realized the fabric of our community is unraveling. We all know many talented people who have been forced off and many others who haven't been able to fill vacant positions here because of a lack of housing. Please approve this project as soon as possible.

Sincerely,
Mitzi Pratt
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