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Brian R. Charville, Chairman

Katherine Flaws, Clerk

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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Select Board Lynnfield Town Hall 55 Summer Street Lynnfield, MA 01940

Re: Notice of Intent to Sell for Residential Use

Assessor's Map 8, Parcels 1325 & 1488

Gentlemen:

I am writing you further to your referral of the above-referenced Notice of Intent to the Lynnfield Planning Board for review and comment. Our consideration of the Notice began in August 2020 and has been informed greatly by an *ad hoc* group of citizens, including Planning Board Member Kate Flaws and Mr. Ken MacNulty, who dove into the issues and corresponded with *Greenbelt*, *Essex County's Land Trust*. On November 18, 2020, the Planning Board unanimously voted to recommend that the Select Board continue its due diligence regarding the parcels and pursue exercising its statutory right of first refusal. All Planning Board members were present.

Our Board's vote followed a final presentation from the citizens group, which had been formed in early September to research the ROFR opportunity and gauge Town residents' interest in pursuing protection of these parcels. Our Board was impressed with the comprehensiveness of this group's study efforts and the considerable and favorable response to date of the Town-wide opinion survey. Additionally, the Board is acutely aware of the critical importance of this decision by the Select Board; this is a one-time opportunity to protect these parcels and in turn make a significant contribution to preserving the environment and desirability of Lynnfield.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions for the Planning Board regarding this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Sweek Charth Brian R. Charville, Chair

Lynnfield Planning Board

Cc: Robert J. Dolan, Town Administrator