

Name: Anthony Duli

Address: 382 William St

Stoneham, MA 02180

Date: 12/6/13

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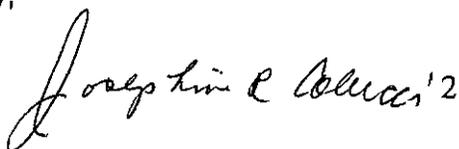
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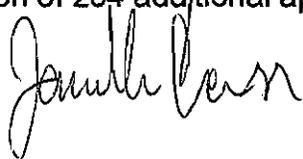
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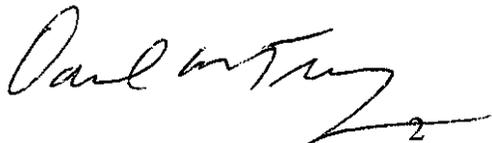
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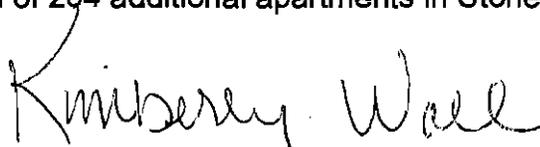
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Name: Brian Welch

Address: 119 Collincoate St

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Name: GLORIA SULLIVAN

Address: 426 MAIN ST-UNIT 401

Stoneham, MA 02180

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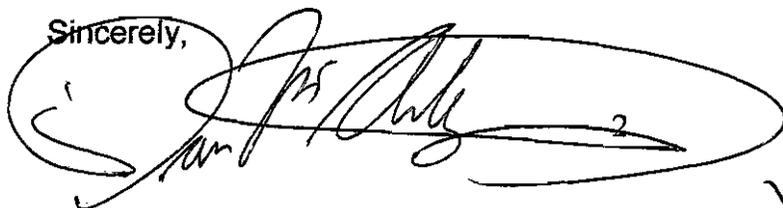
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Address: 4 Berry Ct.

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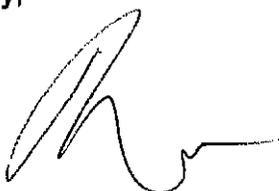
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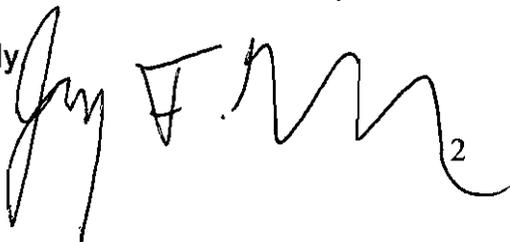
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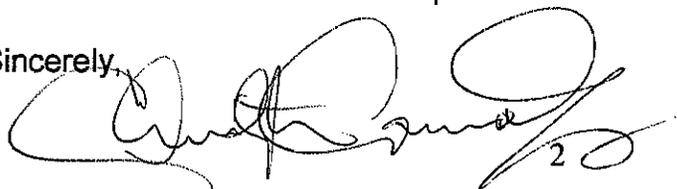
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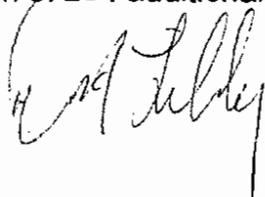
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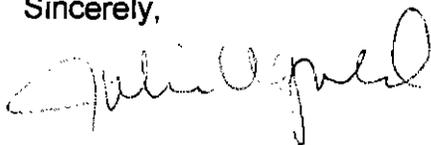
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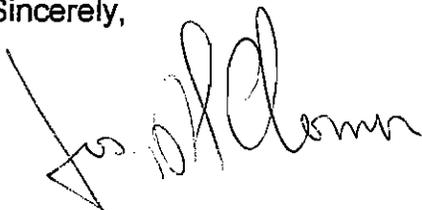
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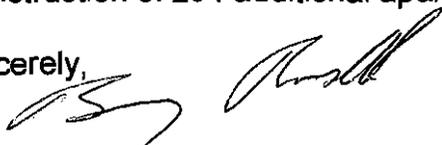
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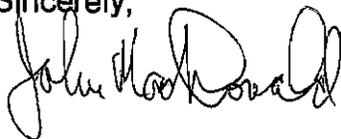
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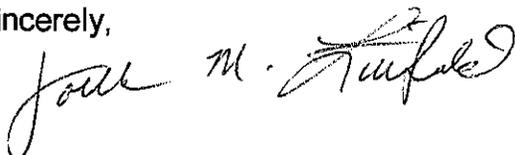
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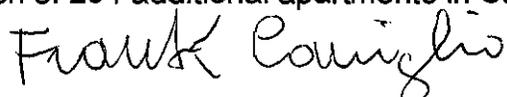
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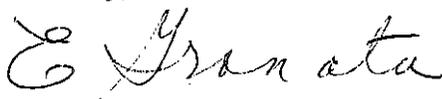
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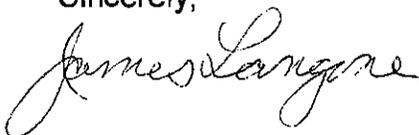
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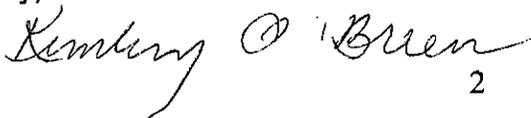
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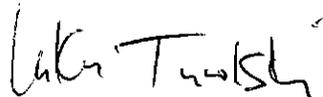
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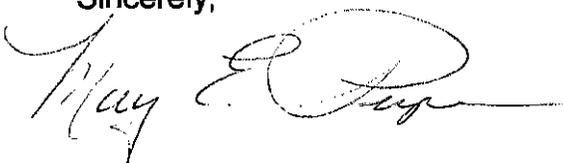
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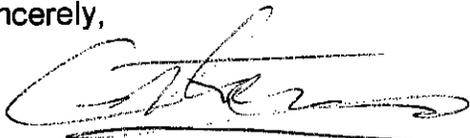
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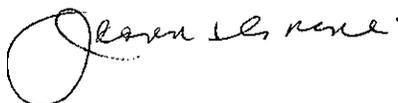
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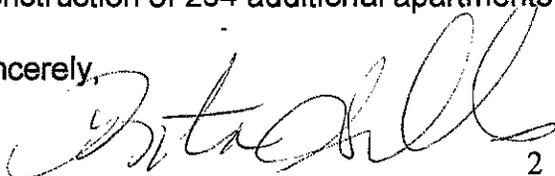
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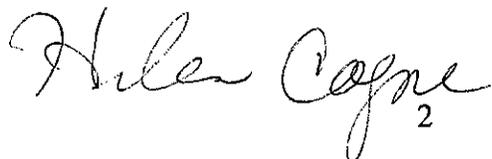
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Name: Denise d'Entremont

Address: 55 Converse Ave, Malden, MA 02148

Stoneham, MA 02180

Date: 12/16/13

Members of the Board  
Board of Selectmen  
35 Central Street  
Stoneham, MA 02180

Subject: The Commons at Weiss Farm;  
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Name: Kay DiMambro  
Address: 97 Howard Rd  
Medford MA  
Stoneham, MA 02180  
Date: 12/6/13

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Board of Selectmen  
35 Central Street  
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Address: 500 SALEM ST.  
MEDFORD MASS  
Stoneham, MA 02180

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Address: 26 Ship Ave Medford MA 02155

~~Stoneham~~, MA 02180

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Address: 135 Chestnut St  
Stoneham, MA <sup>01902</sup> 02180 2444  
Date: 12/06/13

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Board of Selectmen  
35 Central Street  
~~Stoneham, MA 02180~~ Stoneham MA 02180  
~~Lynn, MA 01902~~  
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Lynn  
Stoneham, MA 02180

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Address: 73 Lawn St

~~Stoneham, MA 02180~~ Cambridge MA 02138

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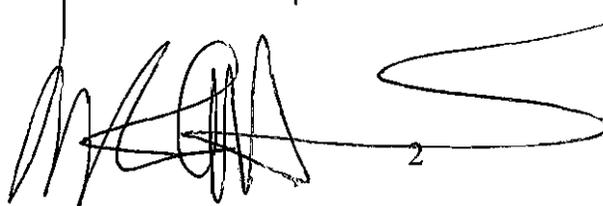
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Address: 126 Rossmore Ave #202  
Stoneham, MA 02180 Haverhill MA  
Date: 12/06/12

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The latest decennial U. S. Census shows that Stoneham had 464 vacant housing units and a rental vacancy rate of 7.4%. Stoneham and seven bordering cities and towns had 5,670 vacant housing units and a rental vacancy rate of 6.1%. Construction of 264 additional apartments in Stoneham is not necessary.

Sincerely,

