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To: [Michael Behrendt](#); [Andrea J. Novotney](#)
Subject: Support for Gerrish Drive Conservation Subdivision - Peyton McManus
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Dear Chair Rasmussen and Members of the Planning Board:

I am writing to express my support for the Gerrish Drive subdivision and the conditional use for the 18 unit conversation subdivision for seniors. I have read draft document of the town planner's recommendation and I believe that the board should approve this application and approve the project. I appreciate that the town of Durham has made various documents available as part of this application and the documents are organized and available on the town's web site at: https://www.ci.durham.nh.us/boc_planning/subdivision-application-gerrish-drive

I have also read the numerous supporting documents, documentation, plans, and other material available on Town of Durham web site and I find that the applicants have met all reasonable requests as well as state and local regulations. Based on my review of the material, Marti and Michael Mulhern have sufficiently met all requirements for the conditional use permit, provided all necessary engineering and design documents, and have met with the conservation committee, technical review group, and have been very receptive to feedback and various design reviews. I believe that the applicants have addressed the eight general conditional use criteria as well as various concerns related to conditional use with a wetland or shoreland overlay district.

Speaking as a resident of Durham, the subdivision appears to be well planned, is consistent with various design and community standards, and provides an additional 18 units of housing specifically designed for residents over the age of 55.

I fully support the fundamental need to provide more housing within Durham, the Seacoast, and across New Hampshire. To say that we have a housing crisis across our area is an understatement. This project provides an additional 18 units of senior housing, should not negatively impact local housing values, does not negatively impact town infrastructure, and should not provide any additional expense or demands on our local schools or other town facilities.

Let's add 18 more units of housing to our very limited housing pool in Durham. Let's provide the opportunity for 18 more families to enjoy the benefits of a well planned neighborhood. Let's expand our tax base with minimal impact on services and infrastructure.

Let's approve this well designed and thoughtful project.

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Dear @Michael Behrendt,

I do not have the full email addresses for the planning board, so can you please confirm that you have received this email (letter) and that it will be included in any public commentary.

Peyton