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To: James Gorman <jgorman@southkingstownri.com>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Dimensional Variance for Parkwood Drive Lot 93

Dear Mr. Gorman and Board Members,

I am writing in reference to the application for Lot 93 on Parkwood Drive, submitted 2/10/2022 by Earle and Brenna Sharpe, requesting both a dimensional variance and a special use permit. I think the dimensional variance is out of character with the neighborhood, but I especially want to comment on the OWTS setback.

In April 2001, the South Kingstown Town Council voted 5 to 0 to prohibit wastewater treatment systems from being built within 150 feet of a wetland. The application in question proposes a setback of 58 feet - only 39% of the town requirement. I see nothing in the application or the physical attributes of the lot which warrants such relief. For South Kingstown, this is a relatively sloped lot, dropping 10 feet from the proposed site of the OWTS to the wetland toward the back of the lot. I fear that this proposal risks contamination of the wetland with household chemicals, nutrients, antibiotics, and fecal bacteria.

I encourage the board to disapprove this application.

Sincerely,

David Casagrande, URI Graduate School of Oceanography
Homeowner, 98 Parkwood Drive