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Newton, MA 02459

October 21, 2002

Mr. Jeffrey Sacks, Chairman
Community Preservation Committee
Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02459

Dear Mr. Sacks,

As the Ward Alderman representing the Nonantum area, I am writing to you in support of the application submitted for the thirty-five units of senior housing to be developed by CASCAP, Inc. at Nonantum Village Place. The city of Newton desperately needs additional affordable housing stock, especially for its seniors, and this is the perfect way address that. This entire project at the former St. Jean's property has been on-going for some time. Our senior community, as well as the Nonantum community as a whole, deserves for this project to be completed on time to assist as many people as possible.

Newton's senior citizens are an important part of the make-up of our city. This initiative will insure they are comfortable, safe and taken care of for the rest of their lives. I was also very encouraged by conversations I had with employees of CASCAP, Inc. to gain an understanding of the numerous support services that will be provided to our seniors. Personal care, homemaking, meals programs, nutritional counseling, referral services and especially transportation were a few that provided me with a comfort level of unwavering support.

Thank you for your consideration of this application. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (617) 964-9836.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott F. Lennon", written over a horizontal line.

SCOTT F. LENNON
Ward Alderman, Ward One

NEWTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

**JONATHAN L. HACKER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

October 31, 2002

Community Preservation Committee
City of Newton
1000 Commonwealth Avenue

Newton Centre, MA 02459

Re: Community Preservation Act Funds

Dear Committee Members:

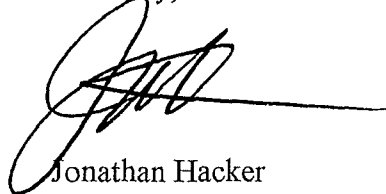
I am writing in strong support of the Nonantum Village Place application for the City of Newton Community Preservation Act Funds (CPA).

CASCAP, Inc. has worked tirelessly for the past year and completed 95% of the architectural and engineering drawings for the project. They have successfully raised 74% of the funding for the project and have secured site control and zoning relief. CASCAP has left no stone unturned in trying to raise the \$6.2 million dollars needed for this important project. However they still face a gap on this project, and are requesting \$850,000 from the CPA fund.

As the Executive Director of the Newton Housing Authority, I am intimately aware of the need for low-income housing for seniors. The Newton Housing Authority is very anxious to expand our already successful site at the former St. Jean's Church and make better use of the existing services and create a successful community for our low-income elderly population. The opportunities provided by this site will not be matched again in Newton for location and convenience for services.

I encourage you to support this project and help Newton meet its affordable housing need.

Sincerely,



Jonathan Hacker
Executive Director

Cc: Marcia Hannon, Consultant with CASCAP, Inc.

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October 28, 2002

Marcia Hannon
CASCAP
678 Massachusetts Ave. 10th Floor
Cambridge, MA 02139

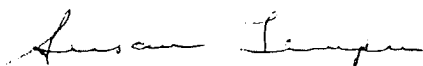
Dear Marcia:

On behalf of Springwell, Inc. I am writing to express our support for funding from the Community Preservation Act to enable CASCAP to proceed with the development of Nonantum Village Place. This supportive housing opportunity would provide needed housing and services for 35 individuals, many who are currently awaiting housing now. In fact, in the eight town area that we as an Area Agency on Aging are designated to serve, elders remain on waiting lists for subsidized housing for up to 10 years, most commonly about 3 to 4 years. Indeed, affordable housing was identified as the number one unmet need in our eight town area by our agency last year. Public hearings and focus groups raised issues around such wait lists as well the need for "affordable assisted living" where services can support peoples' ability to remain in their homes and communities.

Nonantum Village Place can provide a wonderful opportunity for people to receive just this kind of living accommodation. A congregate house for seniors and those with disabilities sits directly next door to this site. There is also another Newton Housing Authority complex just about ½ mile away. Both of these other housing sites have expanded services available through a partnership between Springwell and the Newton Housing Authority. Nonantum Village Place offers the possibility of being the hub for the coordination of services for all of these developments and can afford residents of each site an opportunity for community.

It is my hope that sufficient funding for this project can be acquired so that we may move forward with this opportunity to serve people in a warm, supported living environment. Please contact me if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,



Susan E. Temper
Executive Director



Department of
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MARK E. BOYLE, AICP
Director

LAURA M. WIENER
Senior Planner

May 11, 2000

Michael Haran
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CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

RE: Nonantum Village II

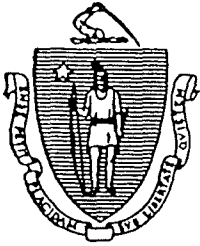
Dear Mr. Haran,

I am writing in support of your proposed project at 245 Watertown Street in Newton. As you know, the subject property abuts Watertown, and gains access through Watertown. While we have not reviewed the design of the project, we fully support the concept of producing 30 units of housing for low income elderly persons and households. Watertown, like Newton, has a high percentage of elderly residents. While many own homes, many more are renters, with few options when their existing homes become untenable, whether because of rent increases or frailty. These apartments will provide much needed affordable housing for this population.

We look forward to working with you in the future on this worthy project.

Sincerely,

Laura M. Wiener
Senior Planner



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Executive Office of Elder Affairs
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May 4, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
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Dear Mr. Haran:

The Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs is pleased to support CASCAP's proposal for the development of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing under the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 Program. The need for affordable elderly housing continues to grow in many Massachusetts communities, including Newton. The site you are proposing to develop, adjacent to the existing Nonantum Village Housing Complex, would greatly benefit the surrounding community.

CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to supportive services for residents. Your proposal, which includes collaborating with community agencies and service providers, will create an affordable, supportive environment for residents. Utilizing the resources of West Suburban Elder Services, the local Aging Services Access Point, elderly residents will have a greater opportunity to age in place safely and with dignity.

Elder Affairs has had a longstanding working relationship with CASCAP through the Congregate Housing Program. We continue to share your goal of providing quality housing and services to elders and strongly urge HUD to support this proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lillian Glickman".

Lillian Glickman

cc: Steve Gartrell, Newton Planning and Development



West Suburban Elder Services, Inc.

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May 5, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran,

On behalf of West Suburban Elder Services, Inc., the Area Agency on Aging and the Aging Services Access Point for Newton, Massachusetts and the west suburban region, I am pleased to support CASCAP's application for federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under Section 202 which will provide Supportive Housing for the Elderly at the proposed Nonantum Village II project.

West Suburban Elder Services, Inc. collaborates closely with the City of Newton and is well aware of the great need in Newton for affordable housing for the elderly, especially when it is combined with supportive services. We provide the service coordination for the congregate living apartments in Newton known as Nonantum Village, and look forward to seeing additional elderly housing units built nearby.

The application which you are submitting will help to address a significant need for elderly housing in Newton, and we are pleased to know of CASCAP's history and success in developing well-managed affordable housing. We are also impressed that the City of Newton is extremely supportive of CASCAP's application and we are glad to lend our support to this effort.

We look forward to a successful outcome to your application and would like to encourage HUD to award the Section 202 funding that you have requested in order to implement this very important project in Newton.

Sincerely,

Susan E. Temper
Executive Director

SET:FW

c: Stephen Gartrell, City of Newton Planning & Development.

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April 25, 2000

Michael Haran, Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

RE: Application for Section 202 Funding for Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing

Dear Mr. Haran:

I am writing in support of CASCAP'S Application for funding from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Supportive Housing for Elderly Program to develop thirty (30) units of housing with supportive services for Newton's elderly frail residents. Newton has a growing elderly population many of whom can no longer live independently due to physical constraints.

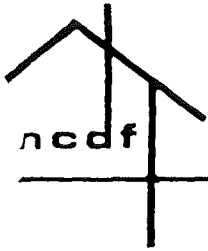
CASCAP has a long history and solid reputation for producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to supportive services that enable residents to remain in their apartments even as they become more dependent. In addition, your organization has demonstrated an ability to produce housing that blends with and enhances the community in which it is located.

Therefore, I am pleased as a housing advocate in the City of Newton to lend my support to your application and invite you to submit this letter of support with your application to HUD.

Sincerely,



Josephine McNeil
Executive Director



newton community development foundation

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April 24, 2000

Mr. Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

On behalf of the Newton Community Development Foundation, Inc., I am writing in strong support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

CASCAP's tradition of developing well-designed housing that enhances the surrounding community is an important factor to consider at this particular site as well as its provision of supportive services. This proposal will allow CASCAP the opportunity to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The proposed development would certainly complement the existing Nonantum Village housing complex located adjacent to this site.

As developers and managers of both affordable and market rent housing, we are well aware of the demands for such housing. We currently own and manager over 240 units in the City of Newton and have waiting lists in excess of five years for our subsidized units. We are also well aware of the growing demand for supportive services, which enable residents the opportunity to remain living independently in their apartments as they become increasingly frail.

NCDF is pleased to support the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing proposal and are hopeful that you will receive the necessary funding to complete this endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jeanne Strickland", is written over a horizontal line.

Jeanne Strickland
Executive Director

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Michael Haran
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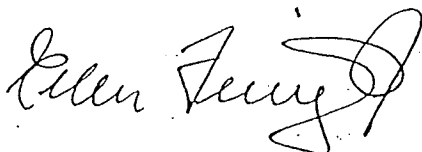
I am happy to write in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for Section 202/PRAC funding from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development.

JCHE knows first hand of the serious need for low income elderly housing in Newton. We developed and manage two Section 202 developments with a total of 345 units of housing in Newton. There are hundreds of people on the waiting list for these developments and they can expect a wait of four to six years for an apartment. Every unit added to Newton's low income housing stock means that one more elderly household will be able to live in dignity.

I am particularly pleased that CASCAP, Inc. will sponsor this housing. Over thirty years ago, I worked with CASCAP in Cambridge, and the agency already had an excellent reputation. It now has a long history of producing excellent housing and setting up appropriate service arrangements for their residents. They have produced housing that blends into its community and is well accepted. I am certain that their work for Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing will provide Newton with thirty more apartments for needy elderly who certainly deserve decent homes as they age.

I urge the US Department of Housing and Urban Development to fund this application for Section 202 funding.

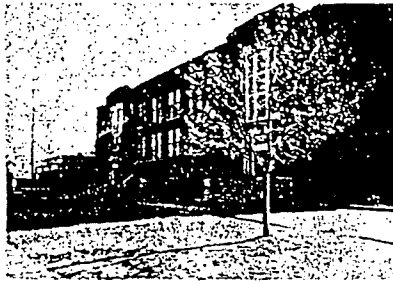
Sincerely,



Ellen Feingold
President

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May 8, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
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RE: Application for Section 202 Funding for CASCAP's Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing Project

Dear Mr. Haran:

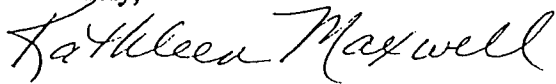
On behalf of the Newton Housing Collaborative, I am pleased to support CASCAP's application for federal funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under the Supportive Housing for the Elderly (Section 202) program for your Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing Project.

As you know, there is a great need for stable, supportive, affordable housing for elders in the City of Newton. The Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing Project will address this significant need and allow the City of Newton to benefit from CASCAP's ability and experience in creating high-quality affordable housing for frail elders. CASCAP's experience in housing frail elders would be a great benefit to the City as this development project moves forward and creates new housing opportunities for these individuals.

I am familiar with CASCAP's history and success in creating and operating well-designed and well-managed affordable housing. Your ability to create top quality housing that enhances the surrounding community is remarkable and makes this project particularly compelling.

Again, I am pleased to support your efforts in Newton on the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing Project and would encourage HUD to award the Section 202 funding you have requested to move this important project forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathleen Maxwell".

Kathleen Maxwell
Housing Coordinator
Newton Housing Collaborative



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May 2, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

Cooperative Living of Newton strongly supports your Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

An early study of housing need; and preferences of Newton elders by Cooperative Living of Newton was recently updated and again clearly identified the dramatic need for affordable rental housing for elders in Newton. There has been particular attention paid to the housing and supportive needs of the frail elderly and the serious lack of such programs for them. We know CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments as they age. Your past work has demonstrated that you can produce and manage quality housing that is well integrated into the community.

This proposal will allow CASCAP to extend your services to meet the need for affordable housing for the elderly in our community. The site you are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

As a fellow agency that works on the housing issues of Newton seniors, we are very excited about the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing project and the development of thirty new units of supportive housing for frail elderly in Newton at this location. We are pleased to lend our support to your project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Marcie Laden".

Marcie Laden
Executive Director

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia Robinson".

Virginia Robinson
Co-President

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April 25, 2000

Mr. Michael Haran
Executive Director
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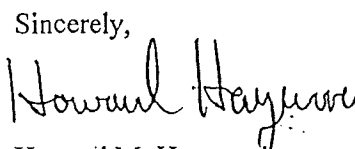
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CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments, even as they become increasingly frail. They have demonstrated in the past that they can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

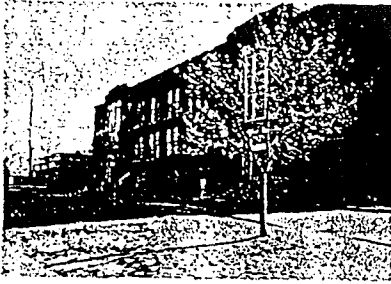
I am pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing, and hope as you review their application, you will feel compelled to lend your support by granting the funds they so sorely need.

Sincerely,



Howard M. Haywood
Pastor

Theme - One Hundred and Twenty-five Years of Learning and Growing in Christ.
"Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart,
and you will find rest for your soul." Matthew 11:29



Newton Community Service Centers, Inc.
492 Waltham Street
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April 19, 2000

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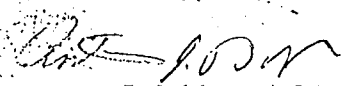
I am writing you on behalf of the Newton Community Service Centers Incorporated to apprise you of our support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development' Section 202 Program.

We are familiar with CASCAP. They are an organization which has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing. Their design which insures access to supportive services that enable residents to live independently in apartments even as they become increasingly frail. It is also important to note the efforts of the past of CASCAP to produce quality housing that blends well resulting in an enhanced community.

The site location lends itself well as it will be adjacent to an existing elderly housing complex. The proximity to grocery and personal needs shopping adds to the attractiveness of this site. Newton has long recognized the need for added Elderly Housing in the community and the initiative of CASCAP with its long successful history in the development of this much needed resource will result in meeting an unmet community need.

Again, we ask that you support the submission of CASCAP to develop Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing. Please do not hesitate to contact us if we can be of further assistance to you relative to this application.

Yours sincerely,


 Anthony J. Bibbo - ACSW, LICSW, CSWM
 Executive Director

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NEWTON-WELLESLEY
HOSPITAL

April 27, 2000

Mr. Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran,

I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

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I am pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing, and hope as you review their application, you will feel compelled to lend your support by granting the funds they so sorely need.

Sincerely,

John P. Bihldorff
President

JPB/tlm

Cc: Ronald Ponte, Director of Patient Relations and Community Partnerships

City of Newton



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April 25, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
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Dear Mr. Haran,

I am writing to you in support of your application for federal funding for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing project through the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

I know that CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that enables residents to live independently even as they become increasingly frail. There is a significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton, and the site you are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site. The Library already provides service to a number of residents of Nonantum Village, and we would be very pleased to expand our services to a new complex.

I am pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing, and I hope you will let me know if there is anything else I can do to help strengthen your HUD application for funding.

Sincerely yours,

Kathy Glick-Weil



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April 19, 2000

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Executive Director
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Dear Michael:

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I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

Executive Director
Aaron Gornstein

CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments, even as they become increasingly frail. Your organization has demonstrated that it can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

CHAPA has had a strong partnership with CASCAP in advocating for a range of supported housing options for seniors and people with disabilities. We have a great degree of confidence that CASCAP will produce excellent affordable housing with strong support from the community.

We are pleased to lend our support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing. Thirty units of new supportive housing at this location will certainly be a major step towards meeting the growing need for housing for frail elderly in Newton.

Sincerely,

Aaron Gornstein
Executive Director

Massachusetts
Association
for the Blind



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April 26, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Michael Haran,

I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph M. Collins".

Joseph M. Collins
Executive Director

JMC/jmb

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Ruth C. Moy
Executive Director

May 5, 2000

Mr. Michael Haran, Exec. Dir.
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

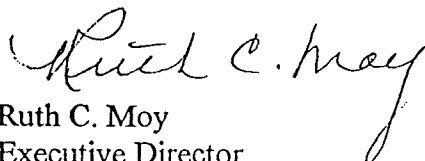
I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments, even as they become increasingly frail. They have demonstrated in the past that they can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

I am pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II elderly housing and hope as you review their application that you will feel compelled to lend your support by granting the funds they so sorely need.

Sincerely,



Ruth C. Moy
Executive Director

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



*for Housing and
Economic Development*

April 20, 2000

Michael Haran
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Dear Michael Haran,

I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 program.

The Women's Institute is well aware of the exemplary work performed by CASCAP and their commitment to house and serve the elderly. CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-maintained housing that provides access to crucial supportive services. These services enable the residents to remain living independently, enjoying dignity and quality of life.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the city of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

I am pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing. I hope that you will approve this application that will enable this much needed project to be developed.

Sincerely,

Anne Gelbspan

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大波士頓區中華文化協會

Greater Boston Chinese Cultural Association

May 5, 2000

Attn: Michael Haran, Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran,

On behalf of GBCCA, I'm pleased to let you know that we support CASCAP's application for federal funds from the US Department of Housing and Urban development under the Supportive Housing for the Elderly (Section 202) program for your Nonantum Village II project.

As we all know that there is a great need for affordable housing for elder in the City of Newton. The Nonantum Village II project will address this significant need and allow the City of Newton to benefit from CASCAP's ability and experience in creating high quality affordable housing for frail elders.

I'm familiar with CASCAP's history and strongly believe that it would be successful in creating and operating well-designed and well-managed affordable housing. Your ability to create top quality housing that enhances the surrounding community is remarkable and makes this project particularly compelling.

Again, I'm pleased to lend our support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing and would encourage HUD to award the Section 202 funding you have requested to move this important project forward.

Regards.

Sincerely,



Ellen Chao
President, GBCCA 2000

cc: Steve Gartrell
Newton Planning and Development

Board of Aldermen

2002-2003

City of Newton

00 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02459



October 21, 2002

Mr. Jeffrey Sacks, Chairman
Community Preservation Committee
Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02459

Dear Mr. Sacks,

As the Ward Alderman representing the Nonantum area, I am writing to you in support of the application submitted for the thirty-five units of senior housing to be developed by CASCAP, Inc. at Nonantum Village Place. The city of Newton desperately needs additional affordable housing stock, especially for its seniors, and this is the perfect way address that. This entire project at the former St. Jean's property has been on-going for some time. Our senior community, as well as the Nonantum community as a whole, deserves for this project to be completed on time to assist as many people as possible.

Newton's senior citizens are an important part of the make-up of our city. This initiative will insure they are comfortable, safe and taken care of for the rest of their lives. I was also very encouraged by conversations I had with employees of CASCAP, Inc. to gain an understanding of the numerous support services that will be provided to our seniors. Personal care, homemaking, meals programs, nutritional counseling, referral services and especially transportation were a few that provided me with a comfort level of unwavering support.

Thank you for your consideration of this application. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at (617) 964-9836.

Sincerely,

SCOTT F. LENNON
Ward Alderman, Ward One

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-2101

April 26, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

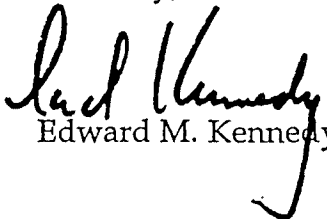
I am writing in strong support of the Norantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 program.

CASCAP, a non-profit organization, has a long record of developing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to continue to live independently in apartments. CASCAP has clearly demonstrated that they can produce top quality housing that will enhance the surrounding community.

This proposal by CASCAP would allow the agency to address the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The proposed development would be a natural extension to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

I strongly support this application for Section 202 funding which will allow the Nonantum Village II project to be developed and provide elderly housing to the area that is so desperately needed. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


Edward M. Kennedy

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April 27, 2000

The Honorable Hal C. DeCell III, Assistant Secretary for
Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations
US Department of Housing and Urban Development
451 7th Street SW
Washington, DC 20410

Dear Secretary DeCell,

I am writing to offer my strong support for an application submitted by CASCAP Inc. of Cambridge Massachusetts in partnership with the City of Newton (Massachusetts) Housing Authority and Nonantum Village Elderly Housing to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 Elderly Housing Assistance Program.

CASCAP has a strong and noteworthy track record of developing well-designed and well-maintained housing with access to supportive services for frail elders and persons challenged by mental and physical disabilities who seek to remain living independently. CASCAP has demonstrated to me that it can produce top quality housing which blends in with, and enhances, the surrounding community.

This proposal would allow CASCAP to extend its long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site at issue here would become a natural sister development to the adjacent and already existing Nonantum Village Housing complex.

I am pleased to offer my strong support for this proposal, and urge you to give it your utmost consideration.

Sincerely,



BARNEY FRANK
Member of Congress

BF/eo



David B. Cohen
Mayor

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Office of the Mayor

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April 19, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program to build 30 units of affordable housing for frail elders.

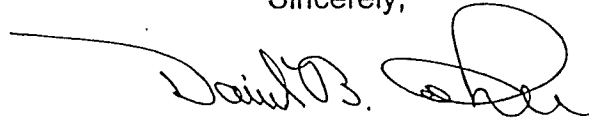
As Mayor and previously as an elected official representing Newton and Brookline in the State Legislature, I am acutely aware of the need for supportive housing for low-income, elderly people. Without an immediate and dire crisis, such as eviction literally into the street, it is very difficult to get a low-income elderly person into subsidized housing. People remain on waiting lists for years. Housing, especially supportive housing, is a critical resource to help people remain independent in the community as we age.

CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments, even as they become increasingly frail. They have demonstrated in the past that they can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

I am pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing project. Thirty units of new supportive housing at this location will certainly be a major step towards meeting the growing need for housing for frail elderly in Newton.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David B. Cohen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

David B. Cohen
Mayor

Board of Aldermen

2000-2001

City of Newton

000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02459



April 20, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, Ma. 02139

Dear Michael Haran;

I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

I am aware that CASCAP has a strong heritage of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments, even as they age in place. They have demonstrated in the past that they can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be adjacent to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex.

I am pleased to support the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing, and hope that as HUD reviews your application, they will feel compelled to grant the funds necessary to make this development a reality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Theresa O'Halloran".

Theresa O'Halloran
Alderman, Ward One

Board of Aldermen
2000-2001

City of Newton

1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02459



May 5, 2000

Mr. Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, Ma. 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

I am happy to support CASCAP's Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing Application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

There is a serious need for stable, supportive, affordable housing for seniors in the City of Newton. The Nonantum Village project will address this significant need and allow the City of Newton to benefit from CASCAP's ability and experience in creating high-quality affordable housing for frail elders. The site they are proposing to develop would be adjacent to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex. CASCAP's experience in housing frail elders would be a great benefit to the City, as this development project moves forward and creates new housing opportunities for these individuals.

I am delighted to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly housing, and would encourage HUD to award the Section 202 funding requested to move this important project forward.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Gerst
Alderman-at-Large
Ward One

Board of Aldermen

2000-2001

City of Newton

000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02459



April 20, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, Ma. 02139

Dear Mr. Haran;

I wish to express my support for the Nonantum Village II Senior Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

I am aware that CASCAP has a solid track record of producing quality housing that provides supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in our City. The site they are proposing to develop would be adjacent to the existing Nonantum Village Senior-housing complex.

I am pleased to support the Nonantum Village II Funding Proposal, and hope that as HUD reviews your application, they will feel compelled to grant the funds in order to provide this much needed resource in our Community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Carleton P. Merrill", is written over a horizontal line.

Carleton P. Merrill
Alderman-at-Large
Ward One

Board of Aldermen
2000-2001

300 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02459

City of Newton



May 2, 2000

Mr. Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

I am pleased to support CASCAP's Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

There is a significant need for stable, supportive, affordable housing for elders in the City of Newton. The Nonantum Village project will address this significant need and allow the City of Newton to benefit from CASCAP's ability and experience in creating high-quality affordable housing for frail elders. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site. CASCAP's experience in housing frail elders would be a great benefit to the City as this development project moves forward and creates new housing opportunities for these individuals.

I am please to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly housing, and would encourage HUD to award the Section 202 funding requested to move this important project forward.

Sincerely,

Brooke K. Lipsitt, President
Board of Aldermen



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April 25, 2000

Michael Haran, Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Michael:

I am writing to express my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's (HUD's) Section 202 Program.

This project will provide 30 new units of affordable housing for elderly persons with low-incomes. This is especially critical due to the current affordable housing crisis in Massachusetts, and the severe lack of sites in the City of Newton left on which a significant number of housing units can be built. It is supported by the City of Newton.

It is my understanding that CASCAP, Inc., the proposed developer of this project, has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing for the elderly. I am therefore pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing project, and hope that the grant application for the HUD Section 202 funding will receive a favorable disposition.

Sincerely,


Cynthia Stone Creem
State Senator



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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RUTH B. BALSER
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April 27, 2000

Mr. Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran,

I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing which provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments even as they become increasingly frail. In the past, it has demonstrated the ability produce high quality housing that blends in with and enhances the surrounding community.

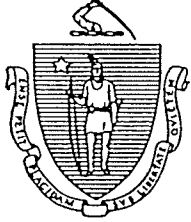
The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend its long history of housing development and professionalism by meeting the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on an adjacent parcel.

I am pleased to lend my support to the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing project, and hope that as you review this application, you will feel compelled to lend your support by granting them these sorely-needed funds.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ruth B. Balsler".

Ruth B. Balsler



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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RACHEL KAPRIELIAN
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Michael Haran, Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

May 2, 2000

Dear Mr. Haran:

I am pleased to write in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

Indeed there is a great need for stable, supportive and affordable housing for elders in the City of Newton. This project will adequately and effectively address this need by providing for 30 new units of housing. CASCAP, Inc. and the Newton Housing Authority have the ability and experience necessary to ensure that the Nonantum Village II is a success. CASCAP's long history of effectively creating and operating well-designed and well-managed affordable housing combined with the management expertise of the Newton Housing Authority and the support of West Suburban Elder Services ensure that elderly citizens will have access to supportive services which are crucial toward enabling residents to remain living independently.

This proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The proposed development site would be a natural "sister" development to the existing, adjacent Nonantum Village housing complex.

I am indeed pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing Project, and would be more than happy to answer any questions or provide further information.

Thank you for your consideration of this most worthwhile and effective endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rachel Kaprielian".

Rachel Kaprielian
State Representative



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133-1054

KAY KHAN
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LEGISLATIVE AIDE
MATT SELIG

April 27, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

I am writing to voice my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for funding through the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents, particularly frail ones, to remain living independently in apartments. They have demonstrated in the past that they can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

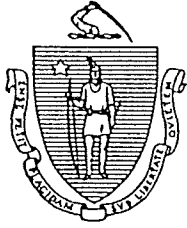
The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton, which includes the legislative district I represent. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

I am pleased to offer my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing project. It is my hope that you will grant this application favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kay Khan".

Kay Khan
State Representative



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
House of Representatives
State House, Boston 02133-1054

PETER J. KOUTOUJIAN
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10TH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT
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Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

May 3, 2000

Dear Mr. Haran,

As the State Representative from the village of Newton called Nonantum, I am as well aware of the area's housing crisis as anyone. Particularly in Newton, where property values and property taxes are increasing so rapidly, elderly and disabled residents on fixed incomes can no longer afford to live in the city they've called home their entire lives. Therefore, I am writing in support of the CASCAP-sponsored Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments, even as they become increasingly frail. They have demonstrated in the past that they can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

I am pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing, and hope as you review their application, you will feel compelled to lend your support by granting the funds they so sorely need.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter J. Koutoujian", written over a large, stylized oval scribble.

PETER J. KOUTOUJIAN
State Representative
10th Middlesex District



David B. Cohen
Mayor

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April 20, 2000

Michael Haran, Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
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Dear Mr. Haran:

I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

The need for elderly housing in Newton continues to be great, with over sixty percent of Newton's extremely low income elders being cost-burdened and half of them paying more than half of their income for housing. In addition, there are few, if any, affordable housing programs serving the frail elderly with low or moderate incomes.

CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments, even as they become increasingly frail. They have demonstrated in the past that they can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex, owned by the Newton Housing Authority, on the adjacent site.

I am pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing project. Thirty units of new supportive housing at this location will certainly be a major step towards meeting the growing need for housing for frail elderly in Newton.

Sincerely,


Michael Kruse, AICP
Director of Planning and Development

City of Newton



David B. Cohen
Mayor

Department of Human Services

BEVERLY STACHOWICZ, DIRECTOR
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May 1, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

I was very pleased to learn about the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing Application. As a Social Worker for the City of Newton for more than twenty years, I understand that the need for additional subsidized housing for Newton's residents has been at a critical level for quite some time. Any project that can begin address this issue is very much needed

I cannot emphasize strongly enough the benefit these thirty units will provide to some the many eligible residents in need of subsidized rent and supportive services. Many of these frail elders are current residents of Newton's existing elderly housing units who need some help in order to stay at home and avoid placement in a nursing home.

I am pleased, therefore, to give my unwavering support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing project of thirty units of supportive, subsidized housing.

Sincerely,

Diana R. Patten
Community Social Worker

mary\pcool
City of Newton



David B. Cohen
Mayor

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

J. David Naparstek, Commissioner
1294 Centre Street
Newton, MA 02459-1544

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April 21, 2000

Mr. Michael Haran, Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139
Dear Mr. Haran

The Newton Health Department conducts home visits to many of Newton's elderly residents who live in Elderly Housing developments. Our nurses also conduct health screening and counseling sessions at many of these facilities. We are very cognizant of the need for quality, affordable, and appropriate housing facilities for our community's elderly residents. Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing will enhance Newton's efforts to provide such housing. Based on the success of other projects and on the need for more, I am writing to support your application for federal funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development Section 202 Program.

CASCAP has the reputation of being an organization committed to developing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services, such as those provided by the Newton Health Department, that enable residents -- including frail elderly -- to remain living independently in apartments. CASCAP has a track record that demonstrates that the quality housing they produce complements the surrounding community and enhances its appearance.

CASCAP's proposal for Newton would allow this agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable housing in the City of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

I am delighted to support CASCAP in efforts to create Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing program.

Very truly yours

J. David Naparstek
Commissioner of Health

NEWTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

**JONATHAN L. HACKER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

April 19, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, Ma. 02139

Dear Mr. Haran;

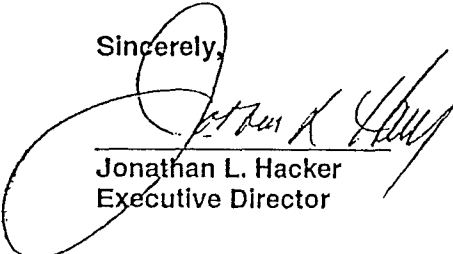
I am writing in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments, even as they become increasingly frail. They have demonstrated in the past that they can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site they are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to our Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

I am pleased to lend my support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing, and hope as you review their application, you will feel compelled to lend your support by granting the funds so necessary for this housing.

Sincerely,



Jonathan L. Hacker
Executive Director



NEWTON HOUSING PARTNERSHIP

1000 Commonwealth Ave.
Newton, MA 02459
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April 26, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Michael Haran,

The Newton Housing Partnership has been in existence for many years working toward increasing the affordable housing stock in the City of Newton. We have spent many years looking at the need for housing and scarcity of buildable land. That is why we support the CASCAP, Inc. Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

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The CASCAP proposal would allow your agency to extend their long history of housing development and professionalism to meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton. The site you are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

The need is great and the opportunity is one the City of Newton and HUD cannot let go. NHP is committed to seeing affordable housing built to meet the needs of all Newton residents and will support CASCAP as they move toward this tremendous goal.

Sincerely,

Robert Engler, Chair

Newton Planning and Development Board
c/o David M. Banash
12 Warwick Road
Newton, MA 02465

May 10, 2000

Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran:

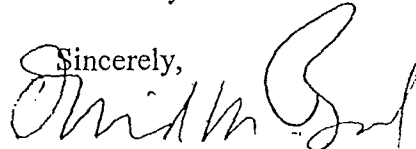
Please accept this letter in support of the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Section 202 Program. As you know, the Newton Planning and Development Board has voted to recommend funding your agency for the acquisition of the site with \$700,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds.

We are informed that CASCAP has a strong tradition of producing well-designed and well-maintained housing that provides access to the supportive services that enable residents to remain living independently in apartments, even as they become increasingly frail. You have demonstrated in the past that you can produce top quality housing that will blend in with and enhance the surrounding community.

The CASCAP proposal would allow the agency to help meet the significant need for affordable elderly housing in the City of Newton, evidenced by the Newton Housing Authority's elderly wait list of nearly 1400. The site you are proposing to develop would be a natural sister development to the existing Nonantum Village housing complex on the adjacent site.

The Board is pleased to lend its support for the Nonantum Village II Elderly Housing. Thirty units of new supportive housing at this location will certainly be a major step towards meeting the growing need for housing for frail elderly in Newton.

Sincerely,



David M. Banash
Chair

City of Newton



David B. Cohen
Mayor

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May 12, 2000

Mr. Michael Haran
Executive Director
CASCAP, Inc.
678 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. Haran,

Many thanks for sharing the information on CASCAP's proposal in Newton and responding to questions posed by members of The Newton Council on Aging at its recent meeting.

The Advisory Board members and the Executive Board have instructed me to send this letter in support of your Nonantum Village elderly Housing application for federal funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 202 Program.

The Council through its outreach and educational programs in addition to its legislative agenda is aware of the tremendous need to develop additional units of elderly housing with supportive services in Newton.

Again, we are pleased to support your efforts in Newton and would encourage HUD to award the Section 202 funding that you have requested.

Sincerely,

Adele Hoffman

Chairperson, Newton Council on Aging

Cc: Steve Gartrell
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