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Dr. & Mrs. James Stark Draper 62 Bellevue Street Newton MA 02458 27 July 2014

David Olsen and Linda Finucane Clerk of the Board of Alderman City of Newton 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton MA 02459

RE: Land Use Committee Hearing

Dear Mr. Olsen and Ms. Finucane:

This letter is in regard to the request for an exception to zoning by Mr. & Ms. Rashee at 93 Bellevue Street, located diagonally across from the lot we live on. I have been on Bellevue Street since 1940 and my wife since 1969. As we understand, there is a request for a non-conforming garage at the rear of the present house. We take no exception to that request.

In addition, there is a request to build another driveway through the woods bordering 75 Bellevue. It is our understanding that this section of land on the east side of the 93 Bellevue lot was to be preserved (as of 1980) as designated conservation land upon which no buildings shall be raised up or vegetation removed. We oppose any degradation of the conservation land by inserting driveways and parking areas.

Although we will be unable to attend the 28 July meeting, we want to register our strong opposition to the permit. Thank you very much for your attention.

Sincerely.

Joan P. Draper

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