December 6, 2022

Wrentham Conservation Commission 79 South St. Wrentham, MA 02093

RE: Senior Living Communities (1139 West St. and 20 Hancock St.)

Dear Chairman Immonen and members of the Wrentham Conservation Commission,

We are writing because of our concerns regarding the proposed Senior Living Communities for 1139 West St. and 20 Hancock St. We have lived in our stone foundation home since September 1969 and have experienced quite a bit of water over the years. We are not experts in building but we think this proposal is not a good one for the parcels of wet lowlands. These parcels have a greater purpose for the environment as they are. Wetlands are necessary for the safe flow of water and the wildlife it encourages.

Water flow is our major concern. Over our many years here we have witnessed much water trying to make its way from roadways, backyards, and cellars to those wetlands where it is collected and eventually drained by streams and rivers.

Even after plan revisions, the applicant proposes to truck in nearly 70,000 cubic yards of fill (4,250 truckloads by its own estimate) onto the sites, raising some existing grades by at least four feet to accommodate required septic systems. This natural environment as well as the wildlife habitat will indeed be disturbed forever and the many long existing homes will be negatively impacted as well. The residents and taxpayers of Wrentham will be left to clean up the mess after the out-of-town developer leaves us with their consequences.

We believe this area should be left untouched by this even scaled back development. Please think responsibly before jeopardizing this wetland...it is not retrievable.

Respectfully, Greg and Peg Pond 1184 West St. Wrentham, MA 02093