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Environmental Stewardship Department/Conservation Commission  
Brooklawn Senior Center  
1997 Acushnet Avenue  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Members:

I am writing to inform you that I will be unable to attend the meeting of the Environmental Stewardship Department/Conservation Commission, on Tuesday, February 16, 2016, due to a previously scheduled work commitment.

I would however, like to state my support for Item #3 under the New Hearings section of the Agenda: A Notice of Intent as filed by Mark Champagne of the City of New Bedford's Department of Facilities and Fleet Management, for property located at 918 East Rodney French Boulevard, New Bedford, MA (Map 4/Lot 2). Applicant proposes to remove two existing bath houses and construct one new bath house with accompanying boardwalk, utilities and sewer service on a Coastal Beach and within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage (Velocity Zone of the 100 year FEMA Floodplain). Representative is William Maher of Nitsch Engineering.

Please read this letter into the record to make my colleagues, those in attendance and the public aware of the reason for my absence and of my support of the aforementioned Item.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Joseph P. Lopes  
Councillor Ward Six

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