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Reference: CPC Funding Request - Veteran's Supportive Housing, and

School Employee Housing

Honorable Community Preservation Committee Members:

On behalf of the Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee and with our full support, this letter is to express our endorsement of the project concepts proposed by the Island Housing Trust. Specifically, we wish to express our support for the following two Island-wide housing initiatives:

- 1. **Veterans Supportive Housing** at Bellevue Avenue in Oak Bluffs, providing 12 one-bedroom rental units to support the Island's Veteran population.
- 2. **School Employee Housing** at 48 Old Courthouse Road in West Tisbury, which will offer eight (8) critical needed rental units for Island School Employees.

While we are fully supportive of these important housing initiatives, we are not endorsing the specific amount requested by Island Housing Trust at this time. Nonetheless, we believe these projects will make a significant contribution to addressing the urgent housing needs on the Island.

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Mark Hess Chairman

Edgartown Affordable Housing Committee