



TOWN OF OAK BLUFFS

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Local Initiative Program
Department of Housing & Community Development
100 Cambridge Street – Suite 300
Boston, MA 02114
Attn: Alana Murphy, Director of Policy; Deputy Director Housing Development

Wendy M. Brough
Acting Town Administrator

Re: Island Elderly Housing - Aiydylberg III
5 Unit Rental Apartment 40B Project
LIP Application

Dear Ms. Murphy:

On behalf of the Town of Oak Bluffs Board of Selectmen, I am pleased to send you this Letter of Support for the above-referenced Chapter 40B Local Initiative Program ("LIP") project. At its meeting last night, the Select Board voted to endorse this 5 unit rental apartment project which will have 5 affordable rental units and to issue this Letter of Support.

The Board is very appreciative that Applicant Island Elderly Housing has taken the time over the last months, prior to submitting its LIP Application to the Board, to meet with our Town staff and department heads to review the proposal and its possible impacts with them and to listen to their feedback. Our Town Administrator and staff have indicated that the feedback was well received and helped shape the plans that have been submitted. We believe that the Applicant has shown a good track record in creating similar affordable housing developments in our community and are pleased that the Applicant will own and manage the development long-term, which should serve well for the property and the Town.

The location of the project is appropriate and we look forward to working with the Applicant on the final more detailed plans when they proceed to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a Comprehensive Permit. We believe that through that process, Oak Bluffs will benefit from the addition of 5 high quality affordable rental units for seniors which are greatly needed in our Town.

Therefore, we lend our support and urge you to approve this LIP Application.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Brian Packish
Board Chairman