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Dear Alexis Cherichetti and Norwalk Conservation Commissioners,

I am writing on behalf of the Norwalk River Watershed Association to express our concerns about a petition to amend an existing conservation easement at 8 Norden Place by Summit Saugatuck LLC to add emergency vehicle access use to existing pedestrian and bicycle use.

NRWA opposes the proposed amendment. Our organization's mission is to protect water quality and wildlife habitat, and this easement was put in place in order to help do both, so we support protecting it as it is currently written. Our community depends on the validity and strength of easements as passed, and we count on the Conservation Commission to protect easements as written. Altering this easement to allow for access to new development would set a dangerous example and call into question the strength of other conservation easements.

Thank you for the work you do to protect and conserve the natural resources of the city of Norwalk, and thank you for considering our concerns in this matter.

Sincerely,

Louise Washer, President
Norwalk River Watershed Association