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Reference: SB 915 AN ACT AUTHORIZING BOW AND ARROW HUNTING ON SUNDAY

As First Selectman of the Town of East Haddam I would like to give my full support to this bill.

I have been an avid bow hunter since 1978. This is a very important sport for deer management and a rapidly growing hobby. I support this sport by donating my time as a State of Connecticut Bow Hunter Safety Instructor. This Saturday we had a record 40 students participate in our local training course, many were local youth.

Because bow hunting is such a close range sport (average shot is within 15 yards) a great deal of time is needed for scouting and stand placement. The challenge comes due to the active lives we all have with Saturday being the busiest day of the week for volunteer activities and work. Sunday should be a legal day to be in the woods enjoying one of our oldest traditional sports.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark B. Walter". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "M" and a long, sweeping tail.

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