

Dear Planning and Development Committee,

I urge you to SUPPORT HB 6926. My town, Bloomfield, has much open space that needs stewardship to preserve the beautiful rural character of some of our town. Funding for open space is hard to come by. HB 6926 is important to me as a tool to help towns fund open space purchase and care-taking by putting a conveyance fee on real estate transfers. Towns won't be required to do so, the option will be available. If we don't find ways to help fund the protection of open space, we will just keep losing our open spaces to commercial development. While we need such development, we also need to have some open space for future generations. Please support this bill.

Respectfully,

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