Richmond Trails Committee Richmond, Vermont 05477

February 27, 2020

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Dear Richmond Conservation Commision,

We are writing in support of the acquisition of the Peet Farm property in the Richmond Village. We encourage your commission to allocate the requested \$20,000 towards the project.

The project would help in preserving green space within our village. The project also includes the potential for a trail easement. This potential trail could allow Richmond residents access to affordable exercise and a recreational opportunity within the village that links residents with their natural environment. The potential trails have scenic views of the farmland, surrounding mountains and of the floodplain forest along the Winooski River.

Overall this project could promote farming in our village, grant Richmond residents connection with the natural world and an exercise opportunity inclusive in a healthy lifestyle.

Thank you for your consideration-

The Richmond Trails Committee