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Dear John,

I have great respect for the Cape Cod Commission. For years, great work has been done by all at the Commission.

I am writing to you because I live in Falmouth. Although my home is not impacted by the Marriott plan, I will be impacted by the traffic. For instance, this afternoon at 3:00 pm, I tried to travel from Main Street, near the library, to Palmer Avenue. I could not move- Gifford Street was backed up from the Jones Rd. light to Main Street. I turned around and headed down Katharine Lee Bates Road to Locust Street. The traffic at that intersection was backed up at the hospital lights all the way Elm Road. I am not kidding, this is our summer!

I hope you will take a serious look at Falmouth's downtown traffic summer and winter. It is awful here in summer and on the big summer weekends it is even worse.

The Steamship Authority traffic brings thousands of cars to our streets all summer, which also adds a burden to locals trying to go anywhere in down town.

I would also respectfully ask if the Marriott has looked at the Falmouth Inn which is for sale. It is located next to the Gus Canty Rec Center. It is much in need of a new owner who would build the hotel and thus greatly improve that section of Main Street. There is plenty of parking.

In addition, I do think a motel backing into a lovely neighborhood like the one on Lantern Lane is a huge blight and drastically diminishes the property values of those homes. Would you want a motel in your backyard. I would not!

Falmouth planners have done such a successful job of developing Main Street that we have too much traffic in the middle of town. It is just too much.

Come over and visit for the day and get a sense of what I am talking about. I would hope you would reconsider encouraging the Marriott to build at that location. There are other better locations in town for them to build.

Keep up the good work. I have spent 25 years thinking about the very character of Falmouth and helping the land trust plan for a Falmouth we all want to live in.

Call if you have any questions about my thoughts.

Sincerely,
Susanne Goodman Hallstein (508 548 1482)
You can run my name past Mark Robinson.