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Town of Arlington Board of Selectmen 730 Mass Ave. Arlington, MA 02476

Dear Board of Selectmen,

My wife Lori and I are in the process of building a new home for our family on 11 Kipling Road in Arlington. Part of the process in completing construction requires the removal of a tree in front of our property. The tree is in the direct line of site when entering and exiting our driveway. It is very dangerous as this could cause a serious accident. The roots of the tree are sticking up above the ground and extend well past the point of where our driveway is situated. This will compromise the drainage system put in place underneath the driveway. The water table in our neighborhood is very high and would present a problem during any rain storm. We constantly had issues with water in the basement backing up thru the toilets and sink. We have two small children and this represented an obvious health hazard.

On December 1st we had a hearing with the Tree Warden and the town approved the removal of the aforementioned tree. Due to the fact that a member of the Tree Committee was present at the meeting and opposed, we were instructed to write this letter as the next step in the process of having the tree removed. We would be happy to plant a new tree in its' place.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions and we appreciate your time.

Regards,

Mr. and Mrs. John S. DeLeo

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