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Mr. Dan Dunn
Arlington Board of Selectmen
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Dear Mr. Dunn,

The Arlington Tree Committee thanks you for your commentary in response to the removal of a town tree in the tree strip at 11 Kipling Road at the February 10th Board of Selectmen's meeting. Your mention to the Selectmen of the broader topic the tree removal at 11 Kipling Road represents is very much appreciated by the Tree Committee.

We prepared statements for the meeting to address the same comments you made highlighting the need for consideration of public tree removal early in the decision and planning. The Arlington Tree Committee is working to make certain that those undertaking construction in town are aware of and are complying with the existing Mass. General Laws, Chapter 87, which govern public shade trees. The Committee greatly regrets not having arrived in time for the discussion on February 10th.

We thank you again for representing the Arlington Tree Committee's objection so thoughtfully.

Sincerely,

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