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The Honorable William R. Keating
315 Cannon House Office Building
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Dear Congressman Keating:

Bill

On behalf of the entire Chatham Community, I want to thank you and congratulate your staff for successfully advancing H.R. 1157 out of the House Natural Resources Committee.

We are very pleased that the Committee approved the legislation on a voice vote. More importantly, the Committee did not combine the bill with controversial legislative proposals, a concern you voiced during testimony at the Sub-Committee hearing. We are hopeful that H.R. 1157 will be scheduled for House floor action in the very near future so there will be time for Senate consideration this year.

Lastly, we are aware of the unfounded and factually incorrect concerns some environmental groups have raised regarding H.R. 1157, especially with your Democrat colleagues. We know that you will do whatever you can to dispel these concerns, and please know that Town officials stand ready to travel to Washington to work in support of the legislation. Hopefully, the democratic caucus will support your legislation and the bill can pass the House with broad bipartisan support.

Again, thank you for your leadership and we look forward to continuing our work with you and your staff. Should you have any questions regarding the forgoing, please do not hesitate to contact me at jgoldsmith@chatham-ma.gov or 774.212.6066 cell.

Sincerely,

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