

19 Skiffs Lane  
West Tisbury, MA  
September 20, 2022

Zoning Board of Appeals  
Town of West Tisbury  
P.O. Box 278  
West Tisbury, MA 02575

Dear Members of the Board,

We are writing in response to the application of Leah Houghton, 20 Hopps Farm Road, for a special permit for an accessory apartment. A previously scheduled medical appointment off-island precludes our attending this ZBA meeting.

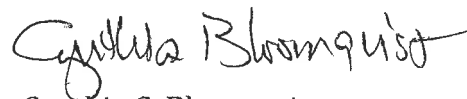
In 2015 our proposal to construct a barn/garage to hold solar panels to supply our electric power was reviewed by the ZBA. Leah objected to the construction because of how she thought it might impact her view. The ZBA asked us to meet with her and to plant trees to help block the view of the structure from her house. We did that.

When Leah visited here after that ZBA meeting to see the location intended for our barn, which is not in a main sight line from her house, she was surprised to see her existing garage so clearly from the back deck of our home. With a full shed dormer and four windows facing towards us, her new apartment will be more visible to us. From her apartment Leah also will see our barn more.

To help ameliorate this, we only ask that she preserve the existing taller trees behind her garage, as well as the smaller evergreens she agreed to our planting close to our shared property line. Keeping these trees will help us both.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Cynthia C. Bloomquist



Thaw Malin III