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Dear Ms. Zambon,

The Town of Aberdeen was pleased to learn of the award (\$150,000.00) of the North Carolina Attorney General' 2019 Environmental Enhancement Grants' Land Acquisitions and Conservation Easements program submitted by the Little Nine Conservancy (LiNC). We are again submitting our letter of support to LiNC for this year's NC Attorney General's 2020 EEG.

Our purpose of support is to further strengthen our relationship with the Town of Southern Pines and carefully protect the natural 'green' and recreational areas from over development (both residential and or commercial). The property to be protected (approximately 100 acres) contains the natural spring that feeds Powell Pond (at Ray's Mill Park in Aberdeen which feeds Aberdeen Creek), adjacent to the 64-acre historic McDonald Farm and the Paint Hill Annex to the Weymouth Woods Nature Preserve. The subject property is owned by Elks Lodge 1692 at 280 Country Club Circle, Southern Pines in Moore County.

LiNC's Application for the 2020 EEG grant request presents a unique opportunity to both protect the environment and enhance opportunities for residents to enjoy this natural area. Consequently, the Town of Aberdeen urges the EEG 2020 program to fund LiNC's grant request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Robert A. Farrell'.

Robert A. Farrell
Mayor