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MEMORANDUM

TO: Steve Pinkerton
Chair, Planning Board

FROM: Nava Niv-Vogel
Staff Liaison, Age Friendly Action Committee

RE: Support for 236 Payson Road - Aging in Place Home Improvement Special Permit

DATE: February 10, 2022.

The Town's Age Friendly Action Committee was recently informed of the upcoming Planning Board meeting, to be held on Tuesday February 15, when the matter of the request for special permit by the Ellenberg-Dukas household will be deliberated. Ms. Naomi Ellenberg-Dukas approached the COA Director to share that the family, who has raised a family in the Town, would like to age in place in Belmont. She expressed concern that the family would not be able to continue to live in their home should the special permit be denied, as the construction they seek would be the way their structural needs in the home be met, as they age and the couple faces varying types of disabilities.

Whether it pertains to this case or any other that comes before the Planning Board. The Age Friendly Action Committee wishes to express its position, namely that it supports residents, whenever possible, aging in place and modifying homes accordingly.

On behalf the Age Friendly Action Committee, I wish to thank you for your attention to this matter.

Cc: Robert Hummel, Senior Planner
Naomi Ellenberg-Dukas