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Her Excellency Governor Maura Healey
Office of the Governor, Room 280
Massachusetts State House
24 Beacon Street
Boston, MA 02133

March 4, 2024

Re: Town of Hanover Support of the Former National Fireworks Site for Superfund Listing

Dear Governor Healey:

The Hanover Select Board, on behalf of the Town of Hanover, supports the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) investigation and scoring of the Fireworks Site for listing on the National Priorities List (NPL).

Representatives of the EPA presented information and answered questions on this matter during a Select Board meeting on September 18, 2023 and during a January 11, 2024 public forum. Through these opportunities residents of the town were able to engage about the Fireworks Site and provide the Select Board feedback on the preferred path forward; comments provided formally and informally from the citizenry to their local elected officials on the Select Board were unified in their position encouraging the Select Board to formally support the listing of the Fireworks Site on the NPL.

Hanover understands that the NPL listing of the Fireworks Site designates the Site as a Superfund Site under the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act. Hanover asks that the Governor concur with the listing of the Fireworks Site on the NPL so cleanup efforts can continue at the Site. To date, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection has overseen with its expertise and stewardship the cleanup with excellent results.

The Town of Hanover looks forward to a completed cleanup at the Fireworks Site under Superfund.

Sincerely,

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