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Karen Grey

April 21, 2023

Dear Friends:

Behind every successful organization is a core group of committed people. Members are the backbone of Wildlands Trust, and as we prepare to celebrate our 50th Anniversary, we thank you for helping us reach this notable milestone.

With your support, Wildlands has expanded our land protection services to 55 cities and towns throughout Southeastern Massachusetts. Nearly 14,000 acres of farmland, parks, forests, fields, coastal lands, river frontage, ponds, and wetlands have been permanently protected because of your investment in us.

We are writing to you as we do each year to ask you to renew your membership.

By renewing your membership, you will ensure that open lands are protected forever and provide public benefits for the 1.7 million residents of our region. Membership dues also help Wildlands build and steward hundreds of miles of trails, offer free educational programs for teens and adults, and manage critical habitats for birds and other wildlife. We understand our job is to protect the natural resources that make our region a healthy and desirable place to live: our 500-billion-gallon freshwater aquifer, 400 miles of coastline, 92 Great Ponds, 90,000 acres of farmland, clean air, healthy forests, and much more. **You can count on us.**

We are excited and humbled by this half-a-century milestone. Land trusts embrace the notion of perpetuity, and although 50 years is notable, it is merely an early stop along the journey. There are many more miles to go, and the momentum we have garnered during these first 50 years positions us for a strong future. In the meantime, please accept our gratitude for all you have done to ensure that a legacy of land conservation is now deeply embedded in the values of our region and the quality of our lives.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Karen Grey'.

Karen Grey
President

PS Mark your calendar for September 23, our 50th Anniversary celebration at Davis-Douglas Farm.