Dear Neighbor,

We are writing to ask for your help. During the last 2 years, Wildlands Trust's Shifting Lots Preserve has experienced malicious destruction of property and assaultive behaviors against our staff, volunteers and neighbors. We would like to ask for your help in identifying the individuals who are responsible for these illegal activities, which include the destruction of signage, fencing, gates, and kiosks, and threats against people.

Wildlands Trust, a non-profit land conservation organization, was gifted over 60 acres of shoreline known as Shifting Lots Preserve from the Danielson, Lapham, Marsh, and Quinn families. These families donated their private land to Wildlands to ensure that the property would always be protected and would be available to be enjoyed by you and your neighbors.

In addition to its value to the community, Shifting Lots Preserve is also important for the protection of both land and wildlife. It includes a portion of Ellisville Harbor that is a salt marsh estuary, the most productive ecosystem for fish species. The existing sand dunes provide a barrier beach to protect adjacent uplands from storm surges, but they are fragile and must be preserved to maintain their protective function. The barrier beach is also a habitat and nesting area for local and migrating shorebirds, including the federally threatened piping plover and terns.

We have been working closely with the Environmental Police and the Plymouth Police Department, who are conducting a criminal investigation into incidents occurring at the property. Wildlands Trust plans to prosecute, to the fullest extent of the law, any individuals who are found to have engaged in these activities. We need your help in finding the criminals who are violating your neighborhood preserve. Please take photos and videos and reach out to the Plymouth Police Department when you see damage and destruction on the property.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Karen Grey President

Kan Cey