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Dear Counselors Wallace, Cameron, McCauley and Lane,

I hope it is okay to include multiple recipients because we were not sure who to send this to specifically. We appreciate the opportunity to introduce ourselves, as we've closely followed the short-term zoning and planning ordinance.

We're both proud Newburyport residents with a full-time focus in real estate and coastal vacation rentals, owning homes at 8 77th St. and 8 Nancy St. on Plum Island.

As members of the community that strive to stay involved and give back wherever we can, we support an ordinance to provide clarity and guidance for STUs in Newburyport.

We have watched several committee meetings online, are attending the public hearing on February 16th, and would appreciate any additional information on the following.

1. With the effective date of June 1, 2022 how can existing STUs avoid violating the ordinance the moment it goes into effect?
2. In the proposed 24/7 availability of operator/emergency contact and 1 hour response time, is the suggestion to hire 3rd shift workers or a call center?
3. It seems that there is a duplicative process to secure both a zoning special permit and a license. Each application has similar required info, a public hearing, and on-site inspections. Is there a way to streamline this process and still meet the goals of the ordinance?

We are happy to offer any personal experience or perspective to help shape the draft into a clear and efficient ordinance that benefits all parties involved.

We look forward to a response by email or phone calls prior to the meeting in hopes of being respectful of the time and process.

Respectfully,

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