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Jamie Fosburgh, NPS, Manager, Northeast Region Rivers Program Lucy Wallace, Chair, NRWSR Study Committee Nashua River Wild and Scenic River Study Committee c/o Nashua River Watershed Association 592 Main Street Groton, MA 01450

Dear Mr. Fosburgh and Ms. Wallace:

I represent the Town of Lancaster, Massachusetts in the State Legislature and am delighted that Lancaster is among the eleven riverfront communities working together on this project to explore possible Wild and Scenic designation. On May 7, 2018 the townspeople enthusiastically voted to accept the "Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit Rivers Stewardship Plan" and endorse its recommendation to seek Wild and Scenic designation. I wholeheartedly join them, and I urge Congress to move forward with this designation as swiftly as possible.

"Lancaster on the River" has been the motto on the town seal carried forward to this day. After designation, I look forward to working with the Stewardship Council and helping to implement many of the voluntary recommended actions that will benefit not only Lancaster but also the entire region.

Sincerely,

Harold P. Naughton, Jr. State Representative

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