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June 25, 2018

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

RE: Wild and Scenic River Designation

Dear Mr. Fosburgh and Ms. Wallace:

As Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP), I join the Secretary of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Matthew Beaton, in supporting the purposes and goals of the "Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit Rivers Stewardship Plan" and in endorsing its recommendation to seek designation of the three rivers as Partnership Wild and Scenic Rivers.

The successful "Clean Up of the Nashua River" is a source of pride to the community and all who worked on it, and is well documented in the "Stewardship Plan," both in the Cultural and Historical Section of the plan and in Appendix C, "History of Water Quality in the Nashua River and Its Tributaries" written by Warren Kimball. For 42 years Mr. Kimball worked for DEP and was the Watershed Manager for the Central Regional Office when he retired a few years ago. He has been an active participant in the Nashua River Wild and Scenic River Study Committee and its Outstandingly Remarkable Resource Value Subcommittee, and I know he will continue to assist the future Stewardship Council when designation is achieved.

This information is available in alternate format. Contact Michelle Waters-Ekanem, Director of Diversity/Civil Rights at 617-292-5751.

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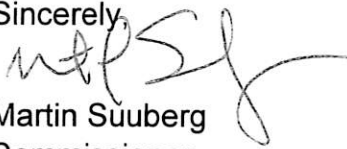
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Thank you for your consideration of this important request for designation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Suuberg', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Martin Suuberg
Commissioner

Cc: Elizabeth Ainsley Campbell