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Jamie Fosburgh, NPS, Manager, Northeast Region Rivers Program
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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,

The Nashua River flows through Bolton, one of the beautiful communities I represent in the Third Middlesex District. Voters in Bolton are proud of the remarkable resources associated with the river, and at their Town Meeting this May, voted unanimously to accept the "Nashua, Squannacook, and Nissitissit Rivers Stewardship Plan" and to endorse its recommendation to seek Wild and Scenic Designation for these rivers. I am writing to join them in seeking designation during this 50th anniversary year of the Wild and Scenic Program.

The Nashua River is a biodiverse ecosystem that is home to various types of flora and fauna. It also provides recreational opportunities for residents such as paddling, fishing, and nature observation. A Wild and Scenic Designation for the Nashua River would allow this natural resource to be protected further and maintain its position as an environmentally, culturally, and historically significant landmark in the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kate Hogan".

Kate Hogan
State Representative
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