Mary Mills

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To: Kate Supron; Mary Mills

Cc: Steve Shiffrin; Dominick LaCapra; Bob & Ginny Powers; Victor Nee

Subject: "Deer Management" Plan--for distribution to the Village Trustees!!

Dear Kate and Village Trustees

I am leaving town today so I won't be able to attend the meeting on Monday. But I would like my voice to be counted.

I am strongly opposed to the deer management plan. I do not think it makes sense; I do not think it will have the affect many of you expect; I do not want my taxes increased for a program I find distasteful and frivolous at best, dangerous and useless at worst.

I am writing this despite feeling there is little interest on your part in hearing from the public, or at least that part of the public opposed to this plan. If for no other reason, please reconsider this culling program in light of the serious liability it poses to our Village and the burden of higher taxes.

As many have pointed out, deer have no sense of boundaries; culling deer in C.H. does not necessarily reduce the herd. Others will roam in filling the void of those culled, enjoying increased vegetation and mating with the remaining females. The situation will not change. I do not trust that culling with guns can be done safely. While bow and arrow hunting would be a minuscule improvement, both are very poor solutions which put residents at risk. The benefits will be minimal contrasted against the frightfully large potential liabilities.

The costs of this program is high, more so if it proves ineffective. Village taxes will go up on an annual basis to pay for this tomfoolery which has no end in sight --deer will still find their way into C.H. I find it unconscionable to be forced to pay higher taxes for a program that is dangerous, unlikely to work, will not increase safety*** and has been frivolously conceived to protect some residents' gardens.

Save us the Strum und Drang; plant deer resistant flora and put up fencing. The financial burden would rest on those concerned instead of being foisted on the rest of us.

***To date there have been minimal (if any) deer / car accidents; if drivers obey the Village speed limit it is difficult to see where this could become a more serious problem. However, deer running from the sound of shot guns could pose a risk to drivers and pedestrians.

Thank you, Carol Warshawsky

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