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Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Billerica Police Department and William Griggs, representing Griggs Farm.

This Memorandum of Agreement was entered into by William Griggs ("Griggs") and Daniel C. Rosa, Jr., Police Chief of the Town of Billerica, ("Town") to address issues relative to hunting activities on the Griggs Farm property located at 599 Boston Rd, Billerica. The parties hereto are aware of neighborhood concerns regarding public safety and lack of public notice relative to hunting activities on the Griggs Farm property, which abuts several residential neighborhoods, and they have stipulated to the terms and conditions set forth herein to address said concerns. The Town understands that the owners/operators of Griggs Farm must take reasonable actions, including controlled hunting, to protect their crops from damage caused by wildlife; and, in turn, Mr. Griggs understands the neighbors' and the Town's concern for public safety and the need for advance notice regarding such hunting activities. In consideration of these understandings, and in an effort to protect the mutual interests of the parties, the parties agree to the following terms;

- 1. Mr. Griggs understands that no hunting is legally allowed on the Town owned portion of the Griggs Farm. Accordingly, Mr. Griggs will mark the boundaries between the private and Town-owned portions of the Farm such that said boundaries will be clear and evident to all hunters that are allowed onto the Farm property.
- 2. Griggs Farm will provide written notice to the Billerica Police Department and all abutting property owners and residents at least 21 days before the start of hunting on the property and will indicate therein the dates that hunting is expected to take place for that season. The Town will assist in developing a list of abutting owners/ residents to be so notified. In addition, Mr. Griggs will notify the Billerica Police Department by telephone and any residents who elect to be notified by phone on the day prior to commencement of any hunting.
- 3. Griggs Farm will post the boundaries of the Farm property with warning signs before hunting commences. The postings will be at reasonable intervals, at all customary entry points onto the property, and any other areas that the Town deems appropriate.
- 4. Mr. Griggs will notify hunters that all State and Federal hunting regulations, including setbacks restrictions, are to be followed at all times.
- 5. The Town shall not be held liable for any action or claim that arises as a result of hunting on Griggs Farm, and the owner of the Griggs Farm property shall indemnify and hold the Town, its officers, employees, and agents harmless with respect to the same.

This Agreement will remain in force indefinitely from the date of its signing until either party gives written notice to the other of its intent to terminate or change the terms hereof.

Executed May 6, 2010.

Daniel C. Rosa Jr.

William Griggs