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Town of Seabrook Board of Selectmen 99 Lafayette Road PO Box 456 Seabrook, NH 03874 Attn: Ella M. Brown - Chairman

Dear Madam Chairman,

I am writing relative to a current matter that is under consideration by the Board of Selectmen. Specifically, I am writing pertaining to the Parking Placard matter that is on the Board's April 5<sup>th</sup> agenda.

I am 86 years old and have spent 63 years of my life as a seasonal beach resident in Salisbury, Hampton, and now Seabrook. During my long life I have witnessed dozens of attempts by various factions to seize access and control of the public beaches. Many of those attempts rising to very high levels of the court system; and ALWAYS resulting in decisions favoring the public rights and ownership to the coastal beaches.

I fully understand that last years' decision by the Board was made in the interest of public health, to control the spread of Covid-19. Nobody contested that well thought out decision. However, this current petition is, yet again, a snobbish attempt by elite folks living on the beach to limit the rightful access of the general public to their natural and recreational resources. I don't need to remind the Board that the Beach is public, the accessways are public. The roadways are public. Prohibiting parking is contrary to the public interest.

All of the concerns raised by the petitioners can be addressed by other current or proposed means. Parking regulations are in place to maintain high levels of public safety. Litter and nuisance regulations are in place to protect the enjoyable peace and quiet of the public. Therefore, it is clear to me that the current petition seeks only to revoke and eliminate rights held by the public so that the elite can enjoy exclusivity of the beach as theirs.

I ask that the Board deny the petitioner's request and allow the issuance of parking placards to ALL residents of the Town of Seabrook.

Thank you for consideration,

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