Oak Grove Farm Commission 900 Main Street Millis, MA 02054

February 23, 2021

Dear Select Board, Finance Committee, Town Administrator, and DPW Director:

The Oak Grove Farm Commission would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your financial assistance regarding the extensive cleanup efforts at the Oak Grove Farm property after the impactful storm of October 7, 2020. As you know, there were multiple trees and many large branches down throughout Oak Grove Farm, affecting many areas of the property that the public enjoys. Additionally, there was damage to the Oak Grove sign and the electrical panel and we were concerned about the safety of the residents.

We appreciate the willingness of the Select Board and Town Administrator to meet with us, review photos of the damage and initial quotes and to recognize the ability to recover from this was going to be more than the OGFC could do alone financially. Your quick response to lead the process of gaining quotes and to pass on this information to the Finance Committee so that town funding could be appropriated to finance the cleanup was much appreciated. The cooperation of all town entities allowed for the cleanup from this storm to move much quicker and to give the OGFC the ability to get to work restoring what was lost and allow the residents to enjoy the property safely.

The Commission also appreciates our inclusion on the tree work underway along Ridge St. Many of the trees being removed are dead Oaks from prior years' Gypsy moth infestation.

Sincerely,

The Oak Grove Farm Commission