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Robert Moriarty, Chairman Zoning Board of Appeals Town of Topsfield 8 West Common Street Topsfield, Massachusetts 01983

RE: Request for a Further Continuance

Administrative Appeal 207 Boston Street

Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the Board:

Reference is made to the above-captioned matter. In that connection and on behalf of the Essex Agricultural Society, I hereby request a further continuance of the Tuesday, January 23, 2024 public hearing on the Petitioner's administrative appeal. Discussions are still ongoing between the Petitioner and the Town about past, present and future uses of the Fairgrounds. A postponement of the Board's proceeding to its February 27, 2024 meeting will allow these discussions to continue.

Per G.L. c. 40A, § 15, the decision of the Board "shall be made within one hundred days after the date of the filing of an appeal..." Accordingly, the Petitioner also extends the Board's deadline for a decision to March 19, 2024, i.e. three (3) weeks following the February 27, 2024 continuance.

Thank you in advance for your courtesy.

Sincerely,

Adam J. Costa

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