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Brad Holden Town Administrator, Town of Underhill P.O. Box 120 Underhill, VT 05489

**RE: Harvest Crossing Housing Project, Underhill** 

Dear Brad,

On behalf of the Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission, I am writing this letter to confirm that the above-named project is consistent with the 2018 ECOS Plan (Chittenden County's Regional Plan). We understand the United Church of Underhill (UCU) is collaborating with the Town of Underhill on an affordable housing project to purchase and subdivide a nineacre parcel of property that abuts land currently owned by the United Church of Underhill. The subject property is located at 16 Harvest Run.

CCRPC supports this project as it will directly help address the severe housing shortage in Chittenden County by creating 10 units of affordable housing. It is our understanding that a prior Vermont Community Development Program grant funded site investigation and design, and now funding is needed to build the project.

This project is located within the Village Planning Area, defined as an area planned for growth in the 2018 ECOS Plan (Chittenden County's Regional Plan). Therefore, this project will help implement ECOS Plan Strategy #2: Strive for 80% of new development in areas planned for growth; which amounts to 15% of our land area. Furthermore, this project will directly help achieve this strategy by implementing the following actions:

#1. Invest in areas planned for growth; and

#3. Producing and maintaining affordable housing.

If you have questions or require further information, please contact me at 802-846-4490 x23 or <a href="mailto:cbaker@ccrpcvt.org">cbaker@ccrpcvt.org</a>. Thank you for investing in and building more affordable housing in our region.

Best regards,

Charles Baker Executive Director

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