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Dear Westport Planning and Zoning Commission,

I'm writing to support the Westport Planning and Zoning Commission's proposed text amendment to eliminate the cap on multifamily housing in our zoning regulations, as discussed during your June 11 work session. It is past time to eliminate this irrelevant and outdated rule which artificially limits the creation of a diversity of housing types in Westport. I commend the commission for bringing this text amendment and working to make Westport a more welcoming community to all people.

Having grown up in Westport from 1993 to 2009, and now living in the Boston area, Westport's lack of diversity is one of the major reasons why I would be very hesitant to raise my own family there. I feel strongly about living in - and raising a child in - a diverse and inclusive community. Right now, Westport is not a diverse community by any stretch. That is because of its lack of inclusivity, which is illustrated in part through outdated zoning policies like the cap on multifamily housing. I'm optimistic that eliminating the multifamily housing cap can help Westport evolve into a better community for all.

I look forward to your support for this text amendment, thank you for your time!

Emma-Jean

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