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**Supervisor Lachterman and Members of the Town Board,  
Re: Homeland Towers LLC – Public Hearing**

I understand that the Town Board is convening a public hearing on the Homeland Towers LLC application for the proposed tower at **106 Granite Springs Road** during this evening's Town Board meeting. Unfortunately, due to prior commitments, I am unable to attend in person.

As the **Fire Commissioner responsible for Radio Communications for the Fire District**, I recognize that this site would significantly enhance our ability to communicate with response vehicles and other emergency service agencies, while also improving cellular coverage within the surrounding area.

I have worked with Homeland Towers on previous projects. Based on that experience, I must note that commitments made have not always been fully honored. In past installations, the Fire District and other first responder agencies were promised adequate space on towers, as well as proper antenna mounting brackets, cabling, and infrastructure (with agencies supplying antennas). However, Homeland Towers' contractors failed to provide these items, resulting in additional unplanned costs to Fire District taxpayers.

For this reason, we respectfully request that **Homeland Towers' contractors be required to provide** the Fire District and all first responder agencies with:

- Proper mounting equipment
- Antennas and cabling
- **A climate-controlled, stainless steel NEMA 4 radio enclosure** capable of holding radio equipment for first responder agency

I also understand that there are legitimate concerns regarding the placement of cell towers in residential areas. Homeland Towers LLC has historically demonstrated

consideration for public safety, and that same level of care must be applied here. Given that the proposed site at **106 Granite Springs Road** is located within a residential area, the tower should be positioned at a **minimum distance of 1,400 feet (426.72 meters)** from any residential property line. Additionally, camouflaging the tower as a tree would help reduce its visual impact and better integrate it into the surrounding environment.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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