

**CORRESPONDENCE**

**5/16/16**

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1	Vineyard Engineering & Enviro	Diesel Fuel Release at 64 Leona Drive
2	DPW	Job Notice - Truck Driver
3	ConCom	"Christina Estates" Trish Cassady
4	4/11 Meeting Minutes	Library Trustees
5	Rail Road Vegetation	Vegetaton Management Plan

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*Vineyard Engineering & Environmental Services, Inc.*

Land Survey, Civil Engineering and Environmental Services  
Offices in Woburn, Plymouth and Vineyard Haven, Massachusetts  
[www.vineyardeng.com](http://www.vineyardeng.com)

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April 26, 2015

Town of Middleborough Selectmen's Office  
10 Nickerson Avenue  
Middleborough, MA 02346

**RE: Diesel Fuel Release  
D. Clark Trucking, LLC  
Christmas Tree Shops Facility  
64 Leona Drive  
Middleborough, Massachusetts  
DEP Release Tracking No. 4-25994**

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of D. Clark Trucking, LLC, Vineyard Engineering & Environmental Services, Inc. (Vineyard) has submitted a Permanent Solution Statement with No Conditions to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in connection with the release and cleanup of diesel fuel that occurred following damage to the fuel tank of a truck travelling on Leona Drive to the Christmas Tree Shops facility in Middleborough, Massachusetts.

This public notification is being provided pursuant to the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP) 310 CMR 40.1403(3)(f). The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the completion of these response actions. Pursuant to 310 CMR 40.1403(h), Vineyard has submitted a Release Notification Form (BWSC103) to the DEP. A copy of the BWSC103 is attached.

To obtain more information on the disposal site or the availability of the report, please contact the undersigned at (781)-933-3330. No action other than the receipt of this letter is necessary by your office.

Sincerely,



Andrew C. Pandolph  
Project Manager

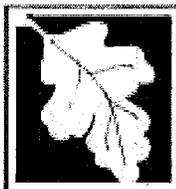
cc: Town of Middleborough Health Department, 20 Center Street, Middleborough, MA 02346  
DEP Southeast Regional Office  
Vineyard Project File 2614 ENV

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Woburn, MA 01801  
Phone: 781.933.3330  
Fax: 781.933.3334

Martha's Vineyard  
P.O. Box 458  
Vineyard Haven, MA 02568  
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2277 State Road, Suite L  
Plymouth, MA 02360  
Phone: 508.591.4144  
Fax: 774.773.2063



RELEASE NOTIFICATION & NOTIFICATION  
RETRACTION FORM

Release Tracking Number

4 - 25994

Pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0335 and 310 CMR 40.0371 (Subpart C)

A. RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE LOCATION:

1. Release Name/Location Aid: CHRISTMAS TREE SHOPS DISTRIBUTION CENTER  
2. Street Address: 64 LEONA DRIVE  
3. City/Town: MIDDLEBOROUGH 4. ZIP Code: 023460000  
5. Coordinates: a. Latitude: N 41.90956 b. Longitude: W 70.97025

B. THIS FORM IS BEING USED TO: (check one)

- 1. Submit a Release Notification [checked]
2. Submit a Revised Release Notification [ ]
3. Submit a Retraction of a Previously Reported Notification of a release or threat of release including supporting documentation required pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0335 (Section C is not required) [ ]

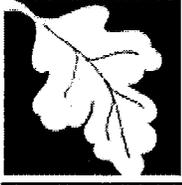
(All sections of this transmittal form must be filled out unless otherwise noted above)

C. INFORMATION DESCRIBING THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE (TOR):

1. Date and time of Oral Notification, if applicable: 2/26/2016 Time: 07:25 [checked] AM [ ] PM
2. Date and time you obtained knowledge of the Release or TOR: 2/26/2016 Time: 07:00 [checked] AM [ ] PM
3. Date and time release or TOR occurred, if known: 2/26/2016 Time: 06:30 [checked] AM [ ] PM

Check all Notification Thresholds that apply to the Release or Threat of Release:
(for more information see 310 CMR 40.0310 - 40.0315)

- 4. 2 HOUR REPORTING CONDITIONS [checked] a. Sudden Release
5. 72 HOUR REPORTING CONDITIONS [ ] a. Subsurface Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (NAPL) Equal to or Greater than 1/2 Inch (.04 feet)
6. 120 DAY REPORTING CONDITIONS [ ] a. Release of Hazardous Material(s) to Soil or Groundwater Exceeding Reportable Concentration(s)
[ ] b. Threat of Sudden Release [ ] b. Underground Storage Tank (UST) Release [ ] b. Release of Oil to Soil Exceeding Reportable Concentration(s) and Affecting More than 2 Cubic Yards
[ ] c. Oil Sheen on Surface Water [ ] c. Threat of UST Release [ ] c. Release of Oil to Groundwater Exceeding Reportable Concentration(s)
[ ] d. Poses Imminent Hazard [ ] d. Release to Groundwater near Water Supply [ ] d. Subsurface Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (NAPL) Equal to or Greater than 1/8 Inch (.01 feet) and Less than 1/2 Inch (.04 feet)
[ ] e. Could Pose Imminent Hazard [ ] e. Substantial Release Migration
[ ] f. Release Detected in Private Well
[ ] g. Release to Storm Drain
[ ] h. Sanitary Sewer Release (Imminent Hazard Only)



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**C. INFORMATION DESCRIBING THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE (TOR): (cont.)**

7. List below the Oils (O) or Hazardous Materials (HM) that exceed their Reportable Concentration (RC) or Reportable Quantity (RQ) by the greatest amount.

Check here if an amount or concentration is unknown or less than detectable.

O or HM Released	CAS Number, if known	O or HM	Amount or Concentration	Units	RCs Exceeded, if Applicable (RCS-1, RCS-2, RCGW-1, RCGW-2)
DIESEL FUEL		O	30	GAL	N/A

Check here if a list of additional Oil and Hazardous Materials subject to reporting, or any other documentation relating to this notification is attached.

**D. PERSON REQUIRED TO NOTIFY:**

1. Check all that apply:  a. change in contact name  b. change of address  c. change in the person notifying

2. Name of Organization: D. CLARK TRUCKING

3. Contact First Name: DOUGLAS 4. Last Name: CLARK

5. Street: 13 BLACK HILL ROAD 6. Title: PRESIDENT

7. City/Town: CENTRAL VILLAGE 8. State: CT 9. ZIP Code: 063320000

10. Telephone: 860-334-1039 11. Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Email: \_\_\_\_\_

13. Check here if attaching names and addresses of owners of properties affected by the Release or Threat of Release, other than an owner who is submitting this Release Notification (required).

**E. RELATIONSHIP OF PERSON TO RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE:**  Check here to change relationship

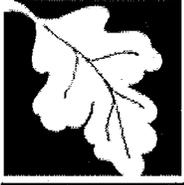
1. RP or PRP  a. Owner  b. Operator  c. Generator  d. Transporter

e. Other RP or PRP Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Fiduciary, Secured Lender or Municipality with Exempt Status (as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, s. 2)

3. Agency or Public Utility on a Right of Way (as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, s. 5(j))

4. Any Other Person Otherwise Required to Notify Specify Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_



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RETRACTION FORM

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Pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0335 and 310 CMR 40.0371 (Subpart C)

F. CERTIFICATION OF PERSON REQUIRED TO NOTIFY:

1. I, DOUGLAS EARL CLARK SR, attest under the pains and penalties of perjury (i) that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information contained in this submittal, including any and all documents accompanying this transmittal form, (ii) that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, the material information contained in this submittal is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate and complete, and (iii) that I am fully authorized to make this attestation on behalf of the entity legally responsible for this submittal. I/the person or entity on whose behalf this submittal is made am/is aware that there are significant penalties, including, but not limited to, possible fines and imprisonment, for willfully submitting false, inaccurate, or incomplete information.

2. By : DOUGLAS EARL CLARK SR 3. Title: PRESIDENT  
Signature

4. For: D. CLARK TRUCKING 5. Date : 4/26/2016  
(Name of person or entity recorded in Section D) mm/dd/yyyy

6. Check here if the address of the person providing certification is different from address recorded in Section D.

7. Street: \_\_\_\_\_

8. City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ 9. State: \_\_\_\_\_ 10. ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

11. Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**YOU ARE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE FEES FOR EACH BILLABLE YEAR FOR TIER CLASSIFIED DISPOSAL SITES. YOU MUST LEGIBLY COMPLETE ALL RELEVANT SECTIONS OF THIS FORM OR DEP MAY RETURN THE DOCUMENT AS INCOMPLETE. IF YOU SUBMIT AN INCOMPLETE FORM, YOU MAY BE PENALIZED FOR MISSING A REQUIRED DEADLINE.**

Date Stamp (DEP USE ONLY:)

Received by DEP on 4/26/2016 10:20:04 AM

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Incorporated 1669



Selectman  
CRANBERRY CAPITAL  
OF THE WORLD



DIVISIONS  
Highway  
Sanitation  
Insect & Pest Control  
Tree Warden  
Wastewater  
Water

Christopher Peck  
D. P. W. Director

*Town of Middleborough*  
*Massachusetts*  
Department of Public Works  
48 Wareham Street  
Middleborough, MA 02346  
Phone 508-946-2481 Fax 508-946-2484

**JOB NOTICE**

**POSTING DATE: May 10, 2016**

Please be advised that a full-time position is available in the Middleborough Department of Public Works-Trash Disposal Enterprise. Applications/Resumes **MUST** be submitted.

**Temporary  
TRUCK DRIVER/LABORER  
GRADE 7**

**Job Description:**

Perform a variety of duties on assigned shift in the Trash Disposal department under the general supervision of the Foreperson and driving and operating a refuse collection truck to preserve and maintain the general cleanliness of the Town. Possess a Class 2 driver's license.

Work from verbal instructions of the Foreperson and assigned schedule.

Operate the refuse collection truck on a daily assigned route to pick up rubbish and operate the loading and dumping mechanism. Drive collected rubbish to designated site for dumping. Operate mechanism to dump rubbish in assigned area.

Exercise caution in driving and operating at all times; show courtesy to public as indicated.

Maintain truck in clean and safe condition and make necessary minor repairs.

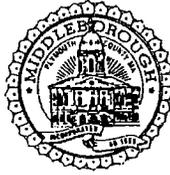
Move materials as necessary in performance of duties as directed. Make self available and on call during emergency situations and for snow removal operations. Detect and report improper operation, faulty equipment, defective materials and unusual conditions to proper supervisor. Maintain all equipment in clean, safe and orderly condition. Follow prescribed safety rules and regulations at all time, and maintain quality standards.

Perform other related duties as required or as directed. Those applicants who are interested must submit an application on or before 3:30 P. M., May 24, 2016. Applications may be obtained from the D.P.W. office. The successful applicant shall be given a thirty (30) day trial and training period in this position.

Rate of pay \$19.89 Hourly (Per Union Contract)

**POSTING CLOSING DATE: May 24, 2016**

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# Town of Middleborough

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

20 CENTRE STREET  
MIDDLEBOROUGH, MASSACHUSETTS 02346

PHONE: 1-508-946-2406  
FAX: 1-508-946-2309

May 9, 2016

James E. Shalek  
General Manager  
I.W. Harding Construction Co., Inc.  
354 Pleasant Street  
West Bridgewater, MA 02379

RE: Sachem Street, "Christina Estates" (Map 66, Lot 1066B), Middleborough, MA 02346  
DEP File # SE220-983

Dear Mr. Shalek:

At the May 5, 2016 Middleborough Conservation Commission meeting the Commission voted to deny your request for an Extension of the Notice of Intent (NOI) under DEP File # SE220-983. This NOI will expire on June 22, 2016. This permit was valid for 10 years with a Commission Extension and State Automatic Permit Extension Act. I would recommend that you request a Certificate of Compliance to close out this file. The local fee for this request is \$75.00.

Since this NOI will expire on June 22, 2016 any proposed construction for this site will require the filing of a new NOI with the Conservation Commission. Attached you will find our hearing schedule for the rest of 2016 as well as our most current Policy and the Town of Middleborough Wetland Act – Fee/Charge By-law.

If you decide to file a new NOI I would recommend that the area of flags C9, 9CWH and D1-D17 be re-evaluated as well as an isolated area at elevation 98 near the proposed entrance to the subdivision.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or your property don't hesitate to contact us at 508-946-2406.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia J. Cassidy".

Patricia J. Cassidy, Agent

For the Middleborough Conservation Commission

Sachem Street, "Christina Estates" (Map 66, Lot 1066B), Middleborough, MA 02346  
DEP File # SE220-983

Cc: Department of Environmental Protection – Wetlands & Waterways – SERO  
✓ Diane C. Stewart, Chairwoman, Middleborough Board of Selectmen  
Robert Nunes, Middleborough Town Manager  
Robert Whalen, Building Commissioner  
Robert Buker, Health Officer  
Ruth Geoffroy, Planning Director

#4

The Trustees of the Middleborough Public Library met on April 11, 2016. In attendance were Chasity Armstrong-Menard, Edward Pratt, Sherri Hartlen-Neely, Eleanor Osborne, James Okolita, Maryanna Abren, and Library Director Jason Bloom. Stephen Conway was able to join the meeting in progress.

Chairman Okolita called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

There was some discussion of the Expenditures sheet, but Jason felt that things looked pretty good and did not foresee any real problems. Jason will check with the Town Hall for a clarification concerning the use of money from "Salaries" being used to pay for items in other accounts.

A motion was made to acknowledge the receipt of information as regards the Treasurer's Report but to defer action on acceptance until the actual numbers are available. This motion passed unanimously.

The Minutes from the January 2016 meeting were pre-approved with one amendment.

The Friends have put a shed on the Library's property. This would be to house a snow blower and lawnmower, etc. There is some concern over the Library's liability.

Jason has submitted an FY17 Budget that was level-funded except for a 2% increase on salaries. Despite this, the budget was cut by the Town Manager. The Municipal Appropriations Requirement (MAR) will be affected by this.

In his Director's Report, Jason noted the following:

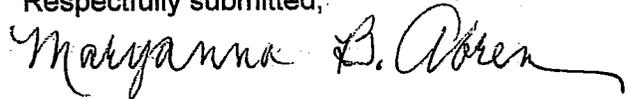
- The Pod machines at Checkout need to be repaired. Security cases for Media would help to solve the problem, and would save the Library significant money annually. Trustees voted to gratefully accept \$4000 (+/- 10%) worth of Media cases from the Friends.
- Quotes for the wallpaper removal project range from \$7000 to \$12,000. Jason is hoping for a quote somewhere in the middle to proceed with the project which would be funded by the Friends. This would be gratefully accepted by the Trustees if the Friends decide to fund the project.
- Prices to have the windows, and the skylight professionally cleaned were high. Jason hopes to get at least the skylight and the front entrance done over the next few weeks.
- Three dumpster runs, comprised of broken and damaged items, have been made.
- All of the \$50,000 from the Friends to purchase Wish List items should be encumbered by FY17.
- A consultant from MLS is coming in. He does space planning for libraries.
- Silvia Trustees were very generous with new project funding, including website redesign, and meeting Friends with some big ticket items like redoing the Meeting Room, and solving issues with technology in that room.
- Thanks to the Middleborough Town Democratic Committee who gave the Friends \$100 for the Library.

- Thanks also to the Middleborough Town Republican Committee who gifted the Library with a new telescopic American flag and stand to be located in the Trustees/ Genealogy Room.
- As part of the Friends of the Library Speaker Series, Mike Paduch from Crystal Lake Garden Shop will be at the Library to talk about "Small Space Gardening."
- Pastel Painting with Greg Maicheck was very successful. The first session was funded by the Cultural Council but, due to its popularity, a second session was funded by the Friends.
- The Local Authors book display, located near "Reference" on the Main Floor, has gotten some good press.
- The Library will host the program "Clutter Control/Downsizing Your Stuff" with Dave Downs on April 27<sup>th</sup>.

The next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Maryanna B. Abren

Handouts

Agenda

Minutes from 1/11/16

Expenditures as of 4/11/16

FY17 Budget

Director's Report

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The Vegetation Management Plan Keolis Commuter Services and Fore River Transportation have agreed to use has been approved by the Department of Agricultural Resources on 26 April 2016. It has been prepared in accordance with the Department of Agricultural Resources' Rights-of-Way Management Regulations 333 CMR 11.00. It describes a variety of operational practices which include physical, chemical, and natural methods used to manage, control, and eradicate vegetation on each railroads right-of-way. The Vegetation Management Plan can be found at:

**[FDCErrailroadvegetation.com](http://FDCErrailroadvegetation.com)**

The Vegetation Management Plan is a companion document to the Yearly Operational Plan, also available at the above website, and describes the methods of and rationale for railroad vegetation control. It remains in effect for the five-year period of 2016-2020.

A hard copy is available upon request, please email [Kyle@FDCEngineers.com](mailto:Kyle@FDCEngineers.com).

#6

Donald Remedis  
P.O. Box 212  
Assonet MA 02702

4-28-16

Middleboro Town Hall  
Allin Fawley  
Board of Selectmen

Middleboro MA

Dear Sir.

As you can see I am not a Middleboro Resident; however you are taking up an issue regarding Wheel Chair parking of which I have a sincere acute interest The pages enclosed will attest to this. Hope that you will read same.

As a quick overview; Van Accessible Parking Spaces vs a "FEW" for "Wheel Chairs Only"

The pages enclosed of which I do hope you and/or would read show the in depth of this dilemma.

Why!!! Send it here! Well perhaps you yourself and/or someone might just be the answer to gain some answers from our State Rep's. (God knows I have tried as not only per the enclosed pages but via personal visits to Rep's. who come to our Senior Center and in turn tell that they will get right on it and get right back to me. YEAH!!! "RIGHT" Years now with not one response. Again maybe someone could pick up the gauntlet and do a little battle for us Could this be you!?

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An Addendum Overview (Some redundantancy perhaps; but want to be sure to give as much information as possible to showing a clear scenario. Thus...

I as others with ambulatory situations have a need to use a vehicle converted for wheel chairs equipped with hand controls and a side ramp for exiting and entering the van

As it is; finding a Handicapped parking space to accommodate a wheel chair ramp is most all the time null and void. Van Assessable signs do nothing toward this dilemma. (I for one; when necessary; park on the outside of parking lanes and having my ramp elevator side opening into the outside space). Again please see the enclosed. It has been a battle with the powers to be for years. Even though there is a Massachusetts Bill filed (copy also enclosed) it has wilted for years with no action.

This all is not just a me thing; I see people being pushed in wheel chairs for long distances because of the lack of maneuverability room for ramp use.. As a Disabled Veteran it baffles me that even grocery and a lot of shopping stores have extended the lines within the parking spaces for ramp use but the local VA Medical Centers and Post Offices have not bothered. Yes; have dealt with the VA but never any response. Military people coming home with injured and missing limbs being in large numbers could surely use some wheel chair only parking spaces as well as others. But no champion so far Handicapped for the cause and so hearing that You and the town of Middleboro are going to engage in some wheel chair parking spaces issues wanted very badly to get in touch with you and thus this letter with enclosures. OH! And Please! As you will see in my correspondence with Boston "I DID NOT" advocated for any added new handicapped parking spaces only that some be labeled "WHEEL CHAIR USE ONLY". The ones that say van Assessable are useless. More on this also in enclosed pages. Thank you in any case even if this all only gets read. Who knows. You folks just might be the one's who understand and might even be responsible for some action. Amen!!!

Respectfully submitted

*Don Remedios*  
E/Mail via [dgr0512@comcast.net](mailto:dgr0512@comcast.net)

P.S. In referencing, as to, Disabled Veterans perhaps a contact with your Veterans Agent might be decent also.

Remedis



COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
MASSACHUSETTS SENATE  
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 02133-1053

SENATOR JOAN MENARD  
1ST BRISTOL DISTRICT  
STATE HOUSE, ROOM 109B  
TEL. (617) 722-1114  
FAX: (617) 722-1498  
E-Mail: jmenard@senate.state.ma.us

COMMITTEES:  
CHAIRMAN - RULES  
VICE CHAIR - ELECTION LAWS  
BILLS IN THIRD READING  
FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

September 6, 2002

Donald G. Remedis  
P.O. Box 212  
Assonet, MA 02702

Dear Mr. Remedis:

I would like to take the time to respond to your letter in regard to the designation of handicapped parking spots as "wheelchair only" spots. I have looked into this issue and have been informed by the Senate Committee on Transportation that is an issue that is dealt with by local town and city officials. If you would like to continue your effort to designate "wheelchair only" spots then you will be best served by contacting the Board of Selectmen in Freetown.

If you have any further questions please feel free to call me in the Boston office at (617)722-1114.

Sincerely,

Joan M. Menard  
State Senator  
1<sup>st</sup> Bristol District

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FAX: 1-617-722-1498

Donald G. Remedis  
P.O. Box 212  
Assonet, MA 02702

12 Sept. 02

Senator Joan Menard, 1st. Bristol Distric  
State House Room 109B  
Boston, MA 02133-1050

Ref.: Your reply to my letter "Wheelchairs"

Dear Senator;

Everyone has a pet peeve, and mine is that when one takes the time and effort to put together some decent thoughts and to write them as intelligently as they are capable of, and send it out only to have someone on the other speed read it for a quick response irregardless of the true concept of the original letter. Case in point; my original letter to you and your reply as follows:

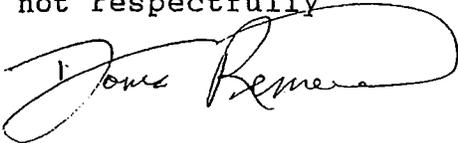
You state that I requested consideration for all Handicapped parking spaces be marked for wheelchairs only... My letter (copy enclosed highlighted) reads that a "FEW" not All.

Top of my letter reads that the "Massachsetts Disability Counsel" states that it is the Massachusetts "State" Legislation has the authority for this.

Your considering that I am too stupid to realize that if I wanted this issue to be for local use only that I would not have realized to go to my Selectman is presumptuous I feel on your part.

In summary; Speed reading may be a good thing to save a busy person some time, but overlooking the true context of what a person is writing in earnest to you and sending a reply per the idea of just getting something back to a person irregardless of the full contents of the senders inquiry and or the like is like no response at all. Just a waste of everyone's time.

not respectfully



Donald G. Remedis  
P.O. Box 212  
Assonet, MA 02702

20 Aug. 02

Senator Joan Menard  
Mass. State House RM. 109B  
Boston, MA 02133

Told by <sup>\*</sup>Mass. Disability Counsel to forward this to <sup>\*</sup>Representatives. You folks are the only people that could do something in this regard.

*↳ NOT LOCAL - PER YOUR REPLY*  
Dear Representative,

Now that half the population have H/Cp't placards hanging from their mirrors the Handicapped parking spaces are at a premium. But, this is not about that in general and any more new spaces per se', however, I do wish to address a wheelchair problem.

The Van Accessible signs are useless in defecting those driving automobiles from taking them up leaving us using wheelchairs at a great disadvantage, and especially we who do not have motorized units but have to wheel ours for every inch. Yes, the initial thought and plan was I'm sure to set aside these spaces for those with Van ramps/elevators (like myself), but as mentioned there is no heed taken of this by others.

*NOT ALL -*  
*PER YOUR REPLY -*  
Would it be too much to ask then that a consideration be given to put aside at least a few H/C parking spaces marked: "WHEEL CHAIRS ONLY". This, I am sure would be very greatly appreciated by the many of us having to deal with the use of wheelchairs. Thank you very much.

very sincerely

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File: Rep's +

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Donald G. Remedis  
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Assonet, MA 02702

8 Aug. 02 ~~508-644-0012~~

Subj.: Wheel Chairs

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*Don Remedis*

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INITIAL WRITING:  
VIA THIS - SENT TO  
SEN JOAN - MCHARD -  
SEE NEXT 2 PGS  
REPLIC'S ETC.

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E-Mail: [jmenard@senate.state.ma.us](mailto:jmenard@senate.state.ma.us)

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VICE CHAIR - ELECTION LAWS  
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FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

October 7, 2002

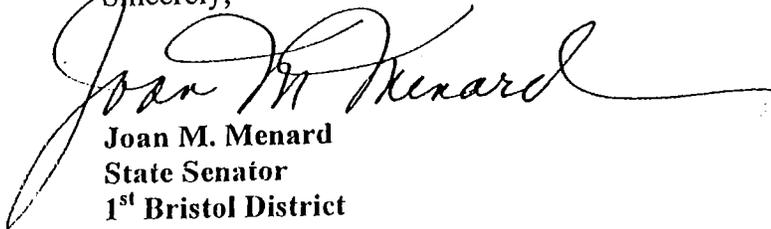
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Dear Mr. Remedis:

I am writing to inform you that I am currently doing further research into your request to designate some handicapped parking spots as "wheel chair" only spots. I am looking into the possibility of filing legislation that would make this possible. I will keep you informed as to any progress that is made in making these parking spaces a reality.

If you have any further questions please feel free to call me in the Boston office at (617)722-1114.

Sincerely,

  
Joan M. Menard  
State Senator  
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Senator Joan Menard, 1st. Bristol Distric  
State House Room 109B  
Boston, MA 02133-1050

Ref.: Our Correspondence; Wheelchair van exit ramps &  
parking spaces

Dear Senator Menard,

Thank you, thank you, for your reviewing this issue and your diligent  
response.

Your letter of understanding and proposed action is very well received.  
Please accept my/our pledge to be of assistance to you also in your  
representative endeavours.

Sincerely

*Sen. Menard*

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED DURING PAST SESSION —  
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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND AND THREE

## AN ACT

### PROVIDING FOR WHEELCHAIR-ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES IN CERTAIN PARKING AREAS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,  
and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

SECTION 1.

The fourth paragraph of section 13A of chapter 22 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by inserting after the second sentence the following sentence:- A proportionate number of the parking spaces reserved for handicapped persons or for vehicles used to transport handicapped persons shall be designated as "wheelchair only" parking.

SECTION 2. The second paragraph of paragraph (a) of clause 23 of section 21 of chapter 40 of the General Laws, as so appearing, is hereby amended by adding the following sentence:- A proportionate number of the parking spaces reserved for handicapped persons or for vehicles used to transport handicapped persons as provided in this section shall be designated as "wheelchair only" parking.

*\* NOTE 1-17-04  
Since this notice  
nothing was taken  
place*