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## 5 Auburn Street

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To the Select Board:

My name is Michael Frechette. I'm a lifelong Natick resident - I grew up in east Natick and am currently raising my children in Precinct 8, where I've lived for the past 12 years. I am proud to call this community my home.

It's no secret that Natick has become steadily less affordable over the recent decades. This is certainly not an issue unique to Natick: across the state, the New England region, and indeed the entire country, rising housing costs have become a universal problem - the effects of which are severe for the most vulnerable people in our community.

Housing affordability is a huge problem, but in the 5 Auburn Street project, the Select Board now has before it a significant opportunity to transform a town-owned property into 100% affordable housing. It is time for this community to do more to meet this moment, and in doing so, put Natick on a path to a more accessible and diverse future.

Respectfully, I urge you to vote for one of the two 100% affordable proposals.

With gratitude for your dedication to this town we love,

Michael Frechette AIA