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State Senator Stephen HardingLegislative Office Building, Room 3400
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Hartford, CT 06106-1591

Dear Senator Harding,

I am writing to ask for your continued support in preserving the historic Paley Farm in Sharon, Connecticut. The Connecticut Department of Agriculture is currently permitting a new construction project on the property that appears to violate the terms of the 1984 agricultural easement entered into with Morris Paley. This easement was specifically designed to protect the farm from development and ensure its preservation as a vital part of our community’s heritage.

The original easement includes clear restrictions, allowing residential construction only for individuals directly involved in farming operations on the property. The proposed new residence does not meet these criteria and is intended for the property owner rather than someone involved in farming.

I urge you to continue to advocate for the enforcement of the original terms of the easement and to ensure that the Connecticut Department of Agriculture honors its commitment to protecting Paley Farm. Failing to enforce this easement not only undermines Morris Paley’s legacy but also sets a dangerous precedent for the remaining properties with similar easements and for other agricultural conservation efforts across the state.

Your support is essential to our community’s efforts to protect this irreplaceable property. Thank you for your ongoing dedication to preserving our local agricultural heritage.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]