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On Behalf Of: Eagles Nest Reserve Vineyard and Winery
Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3928

We vigorously oppose HB 3928, or any other legislation that allows spot zoning for urban development within agricultural or forest lands.

It is disastrous for the efficient and safe practice of farming and forestry in those areas. It makes it difficult and unsafe

to move farm equipment, increases fire danger in both zones, and dramatically increases prices of those and surrounding lands rendering it impossible for farm and forest producers to acquire or lease productive lands for their agricultural and forest operations. Our Vineyard in particular lost an opportunity to acquire adjacent land with ideal winegrape soils to an isolated urban style development that was permitted under Measures 37 and 49. Once we lose those prime agricultural and forest lands to spot urban development we never get them back.