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To the Chilmark Board of Selectmen:

I am writing this letter to seek your approval to run a fishing party boat business out of Menemsha from a designated dock space beginning in the summer of 2018.

My business plan is based on the use of a fully insured, Coast Guard inspected boat which will be manned and captained by a Coast Guard licensed crew. I plan to run two half day trips daily (8-noon and 1-5). Advertising for fishing trips will recommend the off site parking and bus services which the town has provided.

Years ago I ran a fishing boat out of Menemsha (Emily L) and it proved an affordable way for individuals and families to enjoy time out on the water. I plan to charge reduced rates for children and seniors, and hopefully, to offer a free annual trip for Chilmark School children.

As part of this letter of application I am requesting that my boat be assigned a permanent dock space south of the Harbor Master's shack where the Mayhew boats used to tie. I have discussed this proposal with the Chilmark Harbor Master and it meets with his approval.

In summary, I feel that running a fishing party boat out of Menemsha will be a positive addition to the town. It will bring business to the merchants around Menemsha, provide jobs and, in addition, it will offer an affordable recreational activity on the water for islanders and tourists alike.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this proposal. I am available to answer any questions or concerns you have. I look forward to hearing your decision.

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