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EXHIBIT #109c**

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Mr. Robert J. McIntyre, Chair,
and Commission Members
Planning Commission
Town of Old Saybrook
302 Main Street
Old Saybrook, CT 06475

Re: The "Preserve"; File No. 3029/04-207

Dear Chairman McIntyre and Commission Members:

On behalf of the Town of Essex, I respectfully submit the enclosed Resolution adopted by the Town of Essex Board of Selectmen in opposition to the above-referenced application in its current form.

Sincerely,

Matthew Ranelli

GMR:ekf
Enclosure

- c: Michael Pace, First Selectman, Town of Old Saybrook (w/ enc.)
- Frank Jones, Chair, Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission,
Town of Old Saybrook (w/ enc.)
- Madeleine B. Fish, Chair, Zoning Commission, Town of Old Saybrook (w/ enc.)
- Tony A. Palermo, First Selectman, Town of Westbrook (w/ enc.)
- John Clements, Chair, Inland Wetlands and Watercourses Commission,
Town of Westbrook (w/ enc.)
- Marilyn Ozols, Chair, Planning Commission, Town of Westbrook (w/ enc.)
- Ms. Lee Willman, Chair, Zoning Commission, Town of Westbrook (w/ enc.)

THE TOWN OF ESSEX
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
DECEMBER 1, 2004

RESOLUTION

RESOLVED BY THE ESSEX BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

WHEREAS, River Sound Development LLC (hereafter "River Sound") has proposed a plan to develop 248 homes and a private golf club facility on 967± acres of land located in the Towns of Old Saybrook, Westbrook, and Essex;

WHEREAS, 70± acres of the subject parcel are located in the Town of Essex;


WHEREAS, River Sound is not seeking any approvals from the Town of Essex and has not, at this time, proposed any development on the 70± acres located in the Town of Essex;

WHEREAS, the proposed development does not provide the benefits that normally accompany a clustered open space design plan;

WHEREAS, the proposed plan creates significant and unnecessary negative inter- municipal impacts to the Town of Essex including a disproportionate traffic burden, significant degradation of the interrelated web of nature that connect the parcel and its surrounding areas, and the threat of pollution to the Mud River Watershed.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Essex Board of Selectmen that the Town of Essex hereby opposes the application of River Sound Development LLC to develop 248 homes on the site with a country club and 18-hole golf course.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen shall cause copies of this Resolution to be sent to the chief elected officials of the Towns of Old Saybrook and Westbrook and to the Planning and Zoning Commissions and Inland Wetlands Commissions in the Towns of Old Saybrook and Westbrook.


Philip J. Miller
First Selectman

Board of Selectmen:
Norman M. Needleman
Vincent A. Pacileo, III