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To Whom it may concern,

It is with great enthusiasm that I write this letter to support the application of the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show for Heritage Designation. For the past fifty years I have personally participated in many of the equestrian activities which grew out of the enriched equestrian environment generated by the show and for the past forty years as a "R" Eventing TD my experience has show that a such long-lived and dedicated open cabal of equestrian enthusiasts is a rare thing and deserves support of every kind.

To the best of my knowledge the Show meets all the criteria of GR301.6.e and is particularly outstanding as an organization which has involvement and support from the community and has promoted equestrian activity of a wide ranging sort. For example, the property where the Show is currently held is overseen by the Hunt Club. It has been used for Pony Club events and rallies, hunter trials, derby-crosses, polo, and myriad other horse related enterprises. In fact, back in the mid-sixties it was home to a sanctioned 3-day event organized by Meg Plum. The Show grounds are largely surrounded by horse properties which results in the very common sight of horses being exercised and trained in the fields and over the natural jumps which abound .

Thru the years and the many changes which the horse sports have seen, The Norfolk Hunt Show and its nucleus of supporters have sustained and perpetuated the culture and traditions of the equestrian arts. So many of our current trainers, show managers, competitors, officials and benefactors got all or part of their exposure and passion for the horses while participating in some Norfolk function.

With your support and the privileges which accrue to the Heritage Designation perhaps they can carry on the traditions for many more years.

Sincerely,

Dear Ms. Claywell,

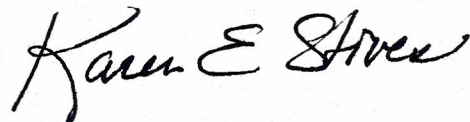
I am writing to endorse the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show's application to receive the honor and prestigious designation as a USEF Heritage Competition.

The longstanding history and significant involvement with the community has been superbly documented in the application prepared by Gil Rogers. The Norfolk Hunt Horse Show has, indeed, been a tradition for for many decades for both competitors and spectators.

On a personal level, I am truly grateful to have had the opportunity to compete at the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show (then the Dedham Horse Show) throughout my junior years, which undoubtedly gave me the base for a national and international career in equestrian sports, culminating in 1984 at the Los Angeles Olympic games with a gold and silver medal.

The Norfolk Hunt Horse Show is unique and I strongly recommend that it be awarded the special distinction of being named as a USEF Heritage Competition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen E Stiver". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Ms. Leigh Anne Claywell
Director of Competitions
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Dear Leigh Anne ;

I am writing this letter in support of the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show's Application for the prestigious USEF Heritage Designation.

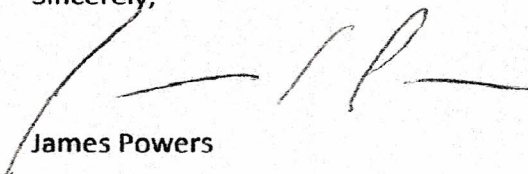
I, along with my five brothers and sisters competed for years as Juniors at both the Dedham Horse Show and the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show. Memories abound, with our family of eight competing in the family classes, providing a unique riding experience, as we rode eight horses abreast in a fairly confined area. I'm told it was quite a sight. The Norfolk Hunt Horse Shows create a unique environment that embrace families and courses demanding good riding. So many successful junior riders at the NHHS went on to reach the the top of their sport, whether hunters, jumpers, eventing or dressage, with some reaching the Olympics. And they continue to contribute to the horse world today.

For my personal experience, the Norfolk Hunt Shows provided great competition in my early riding years, developing a good base, that ultimately lead to being selected to train for three years under Jack Legoff at Gladstone and competing internationally as a member of the US Olympic Team, as reserve rider in Munich. After Munich, I founded Dover Saddlery, which is celebrating thirty five years of service to the riding community. I would not be surprised to see some of the junior riders today appear on the world stage in the future.

Gil Rodgers has superbly documented the outstanding history, community contributions, stewardship of the land and the traditions that continue intact today. I believe the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show is a very worthy candidate for the Heritage Designation.

Thank you for the consideration.

Sincerely,



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September 2, 2012

Ms. Leigh Anne Claywell
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Dear Ms. Leigh Anne Claywell,

I am writing to express my support for the Heritage Designation of the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show that has been such an important part of my early riding career and has had a lasting impact throughout my equestrian riding experience. One of the major benefits the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show has had on the riding community is by giving horse enthusiasts like myself an opportunity to compete in a professionally managed show, located in the New England area, and most importantly, offering a friendly, neighborhood setting.

I was fortunate in being able to pursue my equestrian goals and in doing so have won the prestigious ASPCA Maclay Finals in Madison Square Garden, the IHSA Cacchione Cup, the Individual Bronze Medal from the 2002 World Equestrian Games in Spain, and the Team Gold Medal from the 2004 Olympics in Athens, Greece. I now run an active training program at my stable in Germany and continue to be a frequent competitor in international events. In thinking back to these accomplishments, I want to thank the Norfolk Hunt Club and it's Norfolk Hunt Horse Show, and recognize the importance they have had to me in my development as an International Show Jumping Rider.

I grew up in Medfield, MA. directly across the street from the Norfolk Hunt Club's Race Course at my parent's farm. As a young rider, I was exposed to the thrill of riding through the miles of open countryside, galloping and jumping on the many trails that lead from the Race Course, throughout Dover, Medfield, and Sherborn. Learning to ride on such a wonderful property is something very few riders these days are ever exposed to. To ride at a gallop and jump cross country is invaluable when training a young kid to ride. The Norfolk Hunt Race Course is open to anyone, providing a superb riding atmosphere for any horse enthusiast, no matter what their level. I can only hope that it will always remain that way. Later, after finishing college at Tufts University, I opened Bondurant, Inc., a training stable located adjacent to the Race Course. For the next six years, I successfully trained many riders, often times using the Race Course for exercises, lessons, and competitions. My students and I competed many times at the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show and now cherish many great memories and successes.

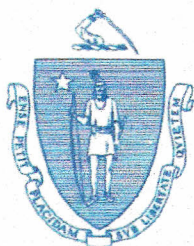
In gratitude for the equestrian heritage of the area, my family transferred 200 acres of land (known as Wylde Woods) to the Conservation Commission of Dover, MA for the purposes of maintaining open space, providing key interconnecting riding trails, and providing recreational land to the community.

In recognition of the benefits and contributions that have been made in the past and the continuing value that the Show provides to the future, I believe the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show is well-deserving of receiving the prestigious Heritage Designation.

Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Sincerely,

Peter Wylde



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August 31, 2012

Ms. Leigh Anne Claywell
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Dear Ms. Claywell:

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is honored to have the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show as one of the oldest, continually running horse shows in the United States beginning in 1910. It is managed and sponsored by the Norfolk Hunt Club that is the oldest, continually operating Fox Hunt in the Country dating back to 1895.

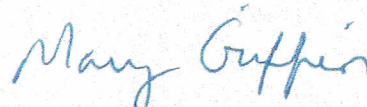
I wish to give my strong voice of support for designation as a "Heritage Horse Show" not only because of this long standing history but also because of the significant accomplishments it has made to the community and the benefits and opportunities it has provided to many equestrian enthusiasts and their families throughout Massachusetts and New England. I know that for many young riders as well as adult competitors this was (and is to this day) a highlight of their equestrian competitive experience -- a number of world-recognized equestrian competitors and Olympic medal winners were participants in the Show. The Norfolk Hunt Horse Show played a major role in keeping equestrian activities alive in the region even through difficult and challenging times during the Great Depression and two World Wars where the sport was in jeopardy.

Perhaps one of the most important and unique contributions to the State and local communities has been the large parcels of land that have been preserved for open space and recreational purposes during a period of intense developmental pressure, construction, and loss of undisturbed natural lands. Open-space benefits everyone: the people who enjoy horseback riding, hiking, and other outdoor activities; the local towns where undeveloped properties are located; the environment including air, water, and land resources; as well as the

biodiversity of our wildlife and plants. The Norfolk Hunt Club and its members have done an incredible job of maintaining thousands of acres of land and hundreds of miles of trails to access open space, and the Horse Show has been instrumental to this effort.

On behalf of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts I wish to express my appreciation for this valuable contribution and sincere wish for continuation of the show with the distinct honor of being designated a US Equestrian Federation "Heritage Horse Show."

Sincerely,



Mary B. Griffin
Commissioner

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July 10, 2012

Ms. Leigh Anne Claywell
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Re: Norfolk Hunt Horse Show

Dear Ms. Caldwell:

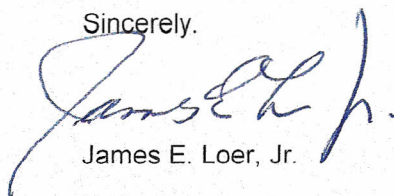
My wife, Stephanie, and I are familiar with the history of the Norfolk Hunt Club and we have just read Gil Rodgers well-prepared piece entitled "Background Research on Norfolk Hunt Horse Show for United States Equestrian Federation Heritage Designation Application".

Stephanie and I have been involved with the Norfolk Hunt Club (NHC) and the Norfolk Hunt Horse Show (NHHS) for over forty years. In the past, Stephanie, earned her "colors" with the NHC, has been an active "hunter" and has also "whipped-in" to the Master. In addition, she has chaired the annual NHHS and, over the years, volunteered in many ways to support the activities of the NHC and the NHHS. I too have been an active member of the NHC including serving as its president for a number of years. In addition, my company, Walpole Woodworkers, Inc., has been a corporate sponsor of the NHHS for many years. It has been a mutually beneficial relationship. This background information has been included merely to convey to you the depth and length of involvement Stephanie and I have had with the NHC and the NHHS.

It is not my intent to repeat the many excellent points set forth in Gil Rodgers' presentation. However, I would like to emphasize the unique transition that has taken place during our involvement with the NHC and the NHHS over the years. Forty years ago, the NHC territory was wide open with extensive fields and trails to use. Over the years, the territory was continually squeezed due to land development. The NHC adjusted to these changes and, therefore, it has survived. Concurrent with these changes, the NHC has taken a strong public stand that it is not an "exclusive" club but rather an organization dedicated to equestrian sport (open to all) and to land conservation. The result of this has been a win-win situation for the communities that are part of the NHC territory as well as the NHC itself. By and large, the communities that see the NHC in action are proud of its uniqueness and the quality of life it adds to those areas.

As Gil Rodgers said in his presentation, "Heritage is the legacy that is handed down over generations.....". The NHC and the NHHS, were passed along to the present generation and we, in turn, are proud to pass it along to the next generation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "James E. Loer, Jr.", is written over the typed name.

James E. Loer, Jr.