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Board of Selectmen, Chris Manni Town of Merrimac 4 School Street Merrimac Massachusetts, 01860

RE: Application: 26RDFMERRIMACLIBERTY

Dear Board of Selectmen, Chris Manni,

Congratulations on the Town of Merrimac's successful application to the FY26 Round of the Community One Stop for Growth. On behalf of the Healey-Driscoll Administration, we are pleased to inform you that a grant in the amount of \$315,000 from the Rural Development Fund has been approved to support the Liberty & Mechanic Street Water Main Replacement.

The receipt of grant funds is contingent upon the grantee being able to certify that it will comply with the Massachusetts General Laws, including G.L. c. 40A § 3A, the MBTA Communities Act. Compliance with the MBTA Communities Act is determined by the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities.

The Rural Development Fund contracting process will be administered by Mallory Sullivan, Rural Programs Manager.

Please be advised that this letter does not constitute an agreement or contract with the Executive Office of Economic Development or the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the grant award is not final until the organization has executed a contract with the Executive Office of Economic Development. You should not proceed with any grant activities until a contract is in place.

Sincerely,

Anne Gobi, Director of Rural Affairs

Mallory Sullivan, Rural Programs Manager

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Cc: Alyssa Sexton

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