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I'm sending this on behalf of Anita Pilar. She wrote a hand written letter and asked me to submit this for her.

To whom it may concern:

My name is Anita Pilar and I have been a resident of Durham for 63 years. Most of that time was at 26 Newmarket Road and for the past several years at Churchill apartments on the Mill Pond. I treasure the many historic landmarks and the history behind them. The Mill Pond Dam is one of the most historic. It was once the most beautiful park and recreation area in town and it can be again.

Can you imagine how unsightly the Mill Pond area would be without the Dam? The lovely homes along Mill Pond Road and part of RT 108 would be adversely affected. The back yards that border the pond would be not only unsightly but stinky, like a sewer! Property values would be lower resulting in yearly loss of tax revenues. Would you want to live on the Mill Pond under these circumstances? Please do not remove the dam!!! Money is important but so is quality of life!

Anita Pilar