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October 21, 2015

Mr. Kenneth Blanchard, Commissioner Department of Facilities& Fleet Management 294 Liberty Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Commissioner Blanchard:

I am writing to formally thank and commend you and your department for the assistance that you provided during our recent Archival & Vault Re-Organization Project.

Whether it was removing old, inefficient storage cabinets, taking down decrepit and unsafe shelving, or responding to countless other needs and requests, your department's support of this six week endeavor was greatly appreciated by myself and our Consultants. Despite the numerous day-to-day tasks and major projects that you and your staff respond to and are responsible for, the quickness and professionalism with which our needs and requests were met was a critical component in ensuring the success of this important project. Furthermore, King Information Systems, our consultant for this project, has been doing this type of work for hospitals, banking institutions and municipalities all over New England for over 20 years; and I feel it is important to note that time and time again, every member of their team stressed how unusually positive, professional and helpful the members of your department are compared to other places they have been. This is a great testament to not only the character and work ethic of your people, but also to the example and high standards that you and your supervisors have established. As far as I know, the following individuals were among those who provided support of our project. I sincerely apologize if I am missing anyone:

Mark Champagne

Nicholas Pereira

Larry Reed

John Kumar

Pierre Tremblay

Sue White

Carl Roy

And of course, yourself

Thank you again for all the support that DFFM continues to provide us each and every day. Keep up the great work that you are doing for the City of New Bedford!

Sincerely

Dennis W. Farias

City Clerk

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