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March 14, 2019

Vice President Matthew Einson
Amesbury City Council
City Hall
Amesbury, MA 01913

Re: City Council Vacancy

Dear Councilor Einson:

I am in receipt of the resignation of City Councilor Christian Scorzoni, effective March 11, 2019.

The City Charter, Section 3-4 states, "the vacancy shall be filled by the unelected candidate receiving the highest votes in the same election, if any, provided that candidate received at least thirty percent of the vote for that office."

In the November 7, 2017 City Election, Mark Roccograndi received 1,454 votes with 44.6% of the vote, which would make him eligible for the vacant seat. Mr. Roccograndi has been notified and has stated his intent to accept the position.

At the next City Council meeting after Councilor Scorzoni's seat has been declared vacant, Mr. Roccograndi can be sworn in.

Sincerely,

Christine Dixon
City Clerk
City of Amesbury



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TO: Christine Dixon, City Clerk
FROM: Christian Scorzoni, City Council President
DATE: 3/11/2019
RE: Resignation

Ms. Dixon,

Please accept this letter as my official resignation from the Amesbury City Council. It is with deep regret that I submit this letter today. Since my first election to the City Council in 2011, representing the City of Amesbury has been a proud honor. Throughout my tenure, I approached the role with deep appreciation and humility toward the people I represent, working every day to help improve the quality of life in our community.

Together, we have accomplished much success, which will benefit our town for generations to come. Personally, I am proud that we are a Green Community, becoming a state leader in renewable energy. I am pleased that we have built up over a \$1 million in town reserves while expanding services and maintaining the line on taxes. We continue to invest in our children and our schools, with a new elementary school on the horizon. Our downtown continues to thrive, including the Chestnut Innovation Center incubator, which has grown new jobs and companies into the Carriage Town. After many years of hard work, we have been investing in our neighborhood parks and playgrounds, and now have a strategy to invest in our athletic fields. Finally, we have a pipeline of over \$100 million of economic development, including the new Atlantic Sports Center, which I was proud to help attract to Amesbury. As our mayor so often says, we are city that is on the move!

Unfortunately, as a result of increased responsibilities and travel associated with my firm, I am no longer able to provide the high level of service and attention that city deserves from me as a member of the City Council.

I would like to thank Mayor Gray, my colleagues on the City Council and the Amesbury School Committee, as well as the various departments in city government, for your continued dedication and service to our community. I would also like specifically thank you, Christine, and the members of the Clerk's office for all of your efforts to support the work of the City Council on a daily basis. I am proud to have served with all of you. Onward!

Best,

Christian R. Scorzoni