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To: Chair Amy Sheldon and Members of the House
Committee on Environment & Energy
CC: Representative Brian Minier, Chittenden-11

My name is Daniel Albrecht. I have lived in Vermont since 2001 first in Shelburne and then since 2006 in South Burlington. I live in a 1,400 square foot, 1955 Cape Cod style house near Shelburne Road on 0.16 acres.

I have a Master's Degree in Natural Resource Planning from UVM and have worked as a professional land use and water quality planner since 2003 for the Chittenden County RPC. I served on the South Burlington DRB from March 2021 to January 2023. My comments are my own.

I strongly urge you to advance S.100 with no changes to the language regarding municipal water and sewer infrastructure.

You have heard some input from other South Burlington residents that claim S.100 will hurt natural resources. This is incorrect.

While S.100 will encourage housing and promote greater density in areas with municipal water and sewer it DOES NOT override any municipal zoning regulations that protect wetlands, habitat blocks, river corridors, floodplains, steep slopes or any other areas that a duly adopted municipal zoning bylaw identifies as areas that preclude building/development activity.

I can count myself lucky that I was able to purchase my home in a densely populated neighborhood. More current and future residents deserve to live in a similar neighborhood. The best way that the State of Vermont can welcome new residents and fight climate change is to build in areas already served by municipal sewer and water including in the City of South Burlington.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely, Dan
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