

Fairview Street
Fairlee, Vermont
March 17, 1980

To the Selectmen of Fairlee
Town Hall
Fairlee, Vermont 05045

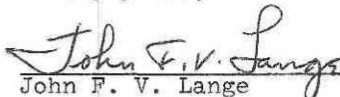
Gentlemen:

As the work of the Kee Committee (so called) progressed in their study and consideration of an FHCRS project which could be conducted on our land in Fairlee adjoining the Fairlee Town Forest, we on several occasions indicated that this would be pleasing to us, but only if we could make a substantial contribution to it in memory of our deceased son who had met a tragic death. When the fair market value appraisal of the 770.6 acres of land had been completed the appraisal figure of the land was in the sum of \$158,500. It was then that we defined what our substantial contribution would be; namely, 20% of the land value which in dollars would amount to \$31,700.

We do appreciate the spirit in which you have propounded to us in your letter of yesterday, in which had been earlier understood, that we accept an offer from the Town of Fairlee of the full fair market value of \$158,500., but in order to make the record crystal clear we reject any such proposition as we will under no circumstances sell this property to the Town for the fine recreational purpose of an HCRS project unless we can make the contribution as above indicated in the value of \$31,700. in memory of our son whose name was William H. Lange.

We have prepared and executed a warranty deed of the land to the Town and as well an executed deed of gift of the stated 20% of the land value which we are prepared to deliver only on condition that the Town's payment to us will be in the exact amount of \$126,800. which represents 80% of the fair market value appraisal.

Very sincerely yours,


John F. V. Lange


Irma C. Lange