Dear Headmaster Curtis:

The Town of Wallingford is proud to have Choate Rosemary Hall as a member of our community. For 125 years, since the founding on Atwater Farm in 1890, the Town and Choate Rosemary Hall have shared a history of growth and prosperity.

Choate Rosemary Hall has been a very positive influence in our community and provides benefits to the Town and its citizens in a variety of ways. The Choate Rosemary Hall Paul Mellon Arts Center provides a cultural center with many venues available to our citizens. For 40 years, they have hosted an annual outdoor Fourth of July Pops Concert by the Wallingford Symphony Orchestra in residence at Choate Rosemary Hall. Students in grades 1-8 are offered educational opportunities in the arts throughout the year and many concerts and recitals are open to the public. Scholarships are available to Wallingford residents to attend Choate Rosemary Hall and enjoy a great education experience.

Children have also enjoyed playing on Choate’s soccer fields during the Town’s annual Invitational Soccer Tournament. Throughout the years, Choate has made many of their facilities available to the residents of Wallingford. Our citizens have truly benefited from having the Choate Rosemary Hall campus in our community.

There have been successful collaborative efforts with the Town’s Board of Education and various businesses and we expect these joint ventures to continue and strengthen programs, activities, and community well being.

The Choate campus, its administrators and faculty, its student body with citizens from many other countries, its international reputation as a school with values which embrace tradition as well as new learning and directions, all comprise a very valued presence and resource in the community called Wallingford.

We join Headmaster Alex Curtis, teachers, staff, students and the thousands of alumni in celebration of the 125 years of Choate Rosemary Hall. Congratulations and Best Wishes for continued success in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

William W. Dickinson, Jr.
Mayor

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