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Dear Mr. & Mrs. O'Sullivan,

We have submitted what we feel to be a fine offer on your home. We love all the unique qualities and attributes that it has to offer. Let us take a moment to introduce ourselves. We grew up in Billerica (high-school sweethearts) and, after college, found our first home in 1991. We purchased a very modest home in the Mudville neighborhood of Holliston and started our family. Over the past 24 years, we put down roots, raised two wonderful sons, and made many life-long friends through our church and community. In 2014, we officially became empty nesters and starting having those conversations with one another about what our next steps in our lives would be.

Two years ago, while on a college tour in Maine, we happened upon a small alpaca farm and took the first step toward what is turning out to be a life-changing journey. At that farm, we met a herd of alpacas and their passionate caretakers. Little did we know, that we would soon find ourselves discussing how we might adopt that lifestyle and start our own herd and farm-business. After much soul-searching and long nights of discussions, we made the decision to follow our dream and attempt to find a property that would allow us to establish a farm, while maintaining our current careers (at least for the time being).

Although we truly love Holliston, it was just not feasible for us to find a piece of land and a house that would both meet our needs and fit within our budget. Once we knew we'd have to leave Holliston behind, we turned our sights toward communities that were closer to our families in the Billerica area, but still within reasonable commuting range of our current jobs. We fairly quickly started to narrow in on Harvard, due to its small-town feel that is quite reminiscent of Holliston. It also had the benefit of being a community that clearly values its agricultural heritage and looks for it to be part of its future. The second property that came to us from our realtor was yours. We feel we can make the property meet our needs to run our farm-business, while providing room for our family and friends, so we can share our dream.

We believe that part of owning a farm is knowing that you are stewards of the land. We hope to become stewards of your land for many years as we put down news roots in the community of Harvard. We want to establish a place that is welcoming to the community and involved in it. Alpacas are special, curious creatures that are light on the land and quick to capture your heart. We'd love the opportunity to bring that experience to 58 Old Mill Road.

Thank you for allowing us to explore your home and we hope you allow us to carry it forward in to a new and exciting future. Best wishes to you in the next chapter of your lives.

Warmest Regards,

Matthew and Amy Varrell