



**Testimony in Support of the Home-Based Business Regulation Framework Developed by the Planning & Zoning Commission and the Economic Development Commission**

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Members of the Planning & Zoning Commission (P&Z), and Planning & Zoning Official DeCarli, my name is Matt Reich and I sit as chairman of the town's economic development commission (EDC).

I join all of you to offer a few remarks in support of the home-based business regulation framework that numerous members from both our commissions have worked hard on to craft. This effort boosted by the insights and experience of the town P&Z official.

The framework developed is the result of several joint commission workshops open to the public this summer and fall, research of regulations from the towns that surround East Hampton, and correspondence with former and current staff of neighboring town governments on this topic. The guidelines that make up this framework are built on compromises, in-depth discussion, and group vetting.

The approval of town regulations would set parameters for a home-based business to operate in East Hampton and would contribute several benefits. Expand range of services that are available for town residents, greater ability to start a business and make a living, and respecting the residential landscape of the neighborhood that a person and their home business reside in are a couple of the benefits.

To sum up, home-based business regulations would make the town we all call home an even greater place to live, while supporting the talents, skills and career pursuits of residents.

Thank you to each of the members of the P&Z and EDC who participated in making this drafted framework for your time, insights, and contributions. It is another of many contributions you have made to East Hampton.