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March 10, 2003

Honorable Representative Ward  
Legislative Office Building, Rm. 4200  
Hartford, CT 06106

**RE: House Bill 6044**

Honorable Representative Ward:

During its meeting of March 4, 2003, the Town Council of the Town of North Branford expressed its support for House Bill 6044, presently before the Environment Committee.

Communities like North Branford must turn to property owners to support essential services with reductions in State aid to local governments. We are constantly challenged to find new ways to finance local services and meet ever-growing public demand. By devoting the proceeds of unclaimed bottle and can deposits to the CRRA, member towns like North Branford will be able to pass along our refuse disposal savings to local residents or devote the savings to recycling and other solid waste reduction efforts. As proposed, this bill will deliver \$67,320 in cost savings to this community.

In this time of fiscal restraint at all levels of government, House Bill 6044 represents a "win" for all sides. CRRA will gain a new revenue stream supporting their activities aside from increases to member towns, local governments will win by achieving a degree of costs savings in their refuse removal budgets, and finally, the State of Connecticut wins by endorsing a public policy that supports recycling and provides municipalities with an opportunity to reduce our costs in light of grant-in-aid reductions.

As always, we appreciate your time, concern and advocacy for North Branford.

Sincerely,

Karl F. Kilduff  
Town Manager

Cc: Mayor Joanne S. Wentworth  
Members of the Town Council  
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