

City of Northampton

MASSACHUSETTS

In City Council, July 13, 2023

*Upon the recommendation of Mayor Gina-Louise Sciarra, Office of Planning & Sustainability,
and the Conservation Commission*

23.351 An Order to Approve a Conservation Restriction in the Saw Mill Hills

WHEREAS, The City Council approved acquisition of 229 acres within the Saw Mill Hills in May, 2022 for conservation and passive recreation purposes and the granting of a conservation restriction, and such property was acquired by the City in the care and custody of the Conservation Commission in April, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Community Preservation Act funding and a Local Acquisitions for Natural Diversity Grant were used to fund the acquisition, both of which require conservation restrictions to ensure that the Premises will be maintained in perpetuity in its natural, scenic, or open condition and available for passive outdoor recreational use; and

WHEREAS, the state Division of Conservation Services requires a separate authorization to approve the conservation restriction pursuant to Section 32 of Chapter 184 of the Massachusetts General Laws;

Ordered, that

The City Council approves the Conservation Restriction on the Russell Pomeroy Trail section of the Saw Mill Hills Greenway to the Kestrel Land Trust pursuant to Sections 31, 32, and 33 of Chapter 184 of the Massachusetts General Laws.