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To whom it may concern,

I have been a resident of Wilton for 17 years. Wilton's town government has been effectively run by volunteers during that time. I oppose a requirement of full financial disclosures by volunteers on the various boards and commissions as it would have a negative impact the town's ability to recruit such volunteers and therefore on the work of town government.

Both my husband and I have been active in town government. He has served on the Board of Finance and the Council on Ethics, and currently serves on the Charter Revision Commission and the Retirement Board. I currently serve on the Board of Education and the Wilton High School Building Committee. If legislation requiring full financial disclosure were to pass, it is quite likely that we would both resign our current positions and would cease to be actively involved in town government.

Sincerely,

Karen A. Birck