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Dear Friends:

During the holiday season, we are reminded of what a gift it is to live in a town like Westwood, with irreplaceable natural land and scenic views not far from Boston. This simple, hand drawn map was created to show longtime Westwood residents and new-to-town neighbors the properties protected by Westwood Land Trust (WLT). Westwood Land Trust is a 501(c)(3) public charity dedicated to preserving open space, forest, and habitat in Westwood. Since our founding in 1999, we have preserved over 215 acres of land in our town with your help. This land includes the nesting habitat of the Bobolink (the lovely bird illustrated on our map), our public hiking on Sen Ki and acres of scenic views of birch trees, meadows and rock outcroppings.

Perhaps our "Preserved by Westwood Land Trust" signs have piqued your interest while commuting, hiking or biking through town, or you have known about or been involved with WLT through the years. As we continue to pursue our goals to preserve as much open space and habitat as possible in Westwood, we rely on town residents and friends connected to Westwood for support. We do not receive funding from the Town or national organizations. For the Westwood Land Trust to maintain our public charity status, we must receive at least a third of our financial support from persons other than major donors. As you consider your end of year giving or future charitable donations, please support Westwood Land Trust.

With gratitude from the WLT Board,

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