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To Whom It May Concern:

Effective January 1, 2015, the Massachusetts Fire Prevention Regulations have been replaced by the National Fire Protection Association Fire Code (NFPA 1) with Massachusetts amendments. Among the many changes that have occurred, the following regulation will impact your complex:

Section 10.11.6.1: For other than a single family dwelling, no hibachi, grill, or other similar devices used for cooking, heating, or any other purpose shall be used or kindled on any balcony, under any overhanging portion, or within 10 ft. (3 m) of any structure.

Please notify your residents of this recent code change so that you can ensure that no outside cooking takes place on a balcony, under an overhang or within 10 feet of the structure regardless of the type of cooking equipment. (Propane, wood, natural gas, electric, charcoal, etc...).

The Canton Fire Department will be conducting life safety inspections in May and June to verify compliance with new regulations. If you have any questions relative to the new Fire Code, please do not hesitate to contact the Fire Prevention Division of the Canton Fire Department.

I thank you for your cooperation in this important life safety matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Charles E. Doody".

Charles E. Doody
Fire Chief

cc: Edward Walsh, Building Commissioner

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