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Board of Selectmen  
Town of Chilmark  
Chilmark, Massachusetts

Gentlemen,

There comes a time when all good things come to an end. In this regard, I wish to resign my appointment to the Conservation Commission effective June, 2012, and along with it my position on the Land Bank Board and the Tea Lane Farm Committee. My reasons for this vary from week to week, but I guess you could sum it up generally by alluding to old age and waning interest. As Yogi Berra once said, "When you come to a fork in the road...take it..."

I have enjoyed the many years I served on the commission and my association with many fine people who have served and also those who are now gone.

In leaving this job, I would like to add the following concerning the Administration Assistant position and its importance: over the years I have served, we have had several Administration Assistants, but none have performed this work more capably than Chuck Hodgkinson. His knowledge of all the regulations and willingness to take on any task, no matter how difficult or unpleasant is exemplary. Communicating in this line of work is all important and Chuck does this with both the spoken and written word very proficiently. We are fortunate to have him with us and I have greatly enjoyed his help and friendship over the years.

I know I will miss this association in the affairs of Chilmark.

All my best,



Dick Smith

CC: Richard Steves

Chuck Hodgkinson

