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## Stamford Land Conservation Trust Honors the Life of Former President John Stone

**Stamford, CT-** The Stamford Land Conservation Trust honors the life and leadership of John Stone, former President, whose passion for nature, land stewardship and community left an enduring mark on the organization and the city of Stamford.

John Stone passed away on February 7, 2026. He is remembered by colleagues, friends and the broader community as an enthusiastic, encouraging and deeply engaged leader whose love of nature, open space, the planet and conservation was felt in every aspect of his work with the Trust.

During his tenure as President, John was a driving force behind the preservation of land and green space throughout Stamford. He brought boundless energy and presence to the organization celebrating each acquisition, supporting new ideas and actively participating in stewardship efforts and events. Whether documenting preserves through drone photography, walking the land or engaging with fellow board members and volunteers, John embodied the mission of the Stamford Land Conservation Trust. His service to the Trust extended beyond his presidency, with years of dedicated involvement on the Board prior to assuming the role of President.

John believed deeply in protecting open space for the benefit of both the community and the environment. Under his leadership, the Stamford Land Conservation Trust continued its work to preserve approximately 550 acres across 50 protected preserves, ensuring these natural spaces remain accessible and protected for future generations.

Beyond his leadership role, John was known for his warmth, optimism and ability to inspire those around him. His passion for learning, nature, people, life and exploration was contagious and his presence strengthened the Trust as both an organization and a community. Those who worked alongside John often speak of how seen, encouraged and energized they felt in his presence.

In John's memory, the Stamford Land Conservation Trust will continue to advance its mission in the spirit of stewardship and deep care that defined his leadership.

In lieu of flowers, his friends and family kindly request that donations be made to the Stamford Land Conservation Trust to preserve and protect open space for the benefit of the Stamford, CT community as well as the sustainability of our environment, a cause John believed in deeply. A dedicated donation option has been established on the Trust's website for those wishing to honor his legacy: [www.stamfordland.org](http://www.stamfordland.org).

The Stamford Land Conservation Trust is grateful for John Stone's extraordinary life and enduring contributions and honors him with deep respect and appreciation.

**About SLCT:** The Stamford Land Conservation Trust was founded in 1972 to preserve the benefits of open space in Stamford by acquiring and managing land preserves throughout the city. Together, these preserves enhance the livability and environmental sustainability of Stamford. Today, through the efforts of its volunteers and donors, the SLCT protects approximately 550 acres, consisting of 50 preserves. The SLCT is a member supported 501(c) (3) tax deductible organization funded entirely through its donors. More information on the SLCT and its activities can be found at [www.stamfordland.org](http://www.stamfordland.org).