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Commend Eric Nakajima for building connections

I (Paul) have known Eric Nakajima since 1982. I had the privilege of coaching him as a high school athlete while he attended Amherst Regional High School.

He was a coach's type of player: he practiced with dedication and studied hard as a student, encouraged others, led by example, and was very coachable. He was an intelligent athlete with a winning attitude and a keen sense of fair play and sportsmanship. He still carries these attributes with him professionally and personally in his adult life.

Pat and I see Eric, now an adult, as a remarkable individual who has the knowledge, skills, experience, commitment and dedication to service which is sorely needed at our state level. During his service on the Amherst School Committee he clearly has demonstrated his ability to encourage dialogue, exercise sound judgment, resolve conflict, reflect deeply on all issues raised by his constituents and lead from a balanced and informed perspective.

This makes him the ideal candidate for 3rd Hampshire District state representative. As a longtime resident of Amherst, he is known for his efforts to build and sustain connections across and within all communities.

Nakajima is a worthy candidate who would be a champion for the people of Massachusetts.

PAUL WILEY AND PAT ROMNEY
Amherst

Describes Rosenberg story as tabloid-style gossip

was surprised and disturbed to see

LETTERS



Amherst, United Church of Christ, and I was not sure what I should do. It was a difficult decision to leave the church and go to a hospital, but doctors have told me that if I had not left quickly enough, I could have died.

The ambulance brought me to Coole Dickinson where I received excellent medical care. Each person who I met at the hospital — the administration, nurses, aides and doctors — treated me with kindness and respect. The daily help from the nurses and aides was very attentive and caring to me and my family and I am so grateful.

I thank God for guiding their hands in my surgery and for touching their hearts to care for me and my family. I also give thanks to God for all of the kindness I have received from the entire community while living here.