Warrant for Annual Town Meeting
Saturday May 6, 2000

To: Brenda L. Callan, Citizen in the Town of Long Island, In the County of Cumberland, State of Maine.

Greetings.... In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the voters of the Town of Long Island qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the V.F.W. Hall in said Town of Long Island on Saturday, May 6, 2000 at 8:00 a.m. then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To elect by ballot a Selectman to serve on the Board of Selectmen for a term of three years, effective on 7/1/2000.

Article 3. To elect by ballot a School Committee member to serve on the School Committee for a term of three years, effective 7/1/2000.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to make final determinations regarding the closing or opening of roads to winter maintenance pursuant to 23 M.R.S.A. {2953.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to procure a loan or loans in anticipation of taxes, such loan or loans (principal and interest) to be repaid during the municipal year out of money raised from municipal year taxes.
The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for compensation for town officers and/or appointees.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Selectmen (3 at $2,538)	$7,614
(Chair)	$2,030
Parklands/Beaches	$1,015
Wharves/Floats/Public Bldgs.	$3,030
Public Safety	$1,015
Solid Waste	$1,015
Rescue Boat	$1,015
Assessing/Map Updates	$1,015
Town Clerk	$6,365
Treasurer	$7,426
Tax Collector	$6,365
Dep. Treas/Town Clerk/Tax Coll.	$4,100
Road Commissioner	$1,015
Code Enforcement Officer	$7,000
Animal Control Officer	$1,000
Harbormaster	$ 533
Town Meeting Moderator	$ 100
Social Services Director	$ 533
Recreation Director	$2,030
Payroll Taxes	$5,512
Administrative Assistant	$1,803
TOTAL	**$61,532**

Article 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for professional assistance.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Town Accountant	$ 1,500
Town Annual Audit	$ 4,000
Town Counsel	$12,500
Tax Assessor	$ 1,500
Add'l. Prof. Assist.	$ 5,000
Tank Farm Environmental Review	$ 2,500
TOTAL	**$27,000**

Article 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town government administration.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Town Government Administration	**$63,400**

Article 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for debt service.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Debt Service	**$82,910**

Article 10. To see what sum the Town will appropriate from the Foundation Allocation for School purposes (The Finance Committee recommends $251,419) and to see what sum the Town will raise as the local share of the Foundation Allocation. **(The Finance Committee recommends $232,157.)**

Article 11. To see what sum the Town will appropriate from the debt service allocation (The Finance Committee recommends $20,075 and to see what sum the Town will raise as the local share of debt service **(The Finance Committee recommends $17,100.)**

Article 12. To see what sum the Town will raise in additional local funds under the provisions of 20-A M.S.R.A. {15614 (3). **(The Finance Committee recommends $111,562.)**

Article 13. To see what sum of money the Town will authorize the School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning 1-Jul-2000 and ending 30-Jun-2001 from the Foundation Allocation, debt service allocation, local appropriations, unexpended balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of Schools. **(The Finance Committee recommends $399,338.)**

Article 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Adult Education.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Adult Education	**$ 800**

Article 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for insurance.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Insurance	**$12,000**

Article 16. To see if the Town will authorize and direct the Board of Selectmen to screen and approve or appoint Sheriff's Deputies and/or Constables for the fiscal year 2000-2001.

Article 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Safety.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Police Protection	$12,970
Fire Protection	$22,220
EMS Expense	$ 8,987
Rescue Boat Expense	$ 3,650
Emergency Preparedness	$ 600
Stipends & Payroll Costs	$17,214
TOTAL	**$65,641**

Article 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Works.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Public Works	**$59,835**

Article 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Social Services.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Social Services	**$13,100**

Article 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Social Service Referrals.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Social Service Referrals	**$ 2,000**

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to enter into a contract with a waste hauler for solid waste hauling, for a period not to exceed three years.
The Selectmen recommenda "YES" vote.

Article 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Solid Waste.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Solid Waste	**$57,525**

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote that the Town Tax is due on September 15, 2000 and is payable in two (2) equal installments on September15, 2000 and March 15, 2001 and to set the interest rate to be charged for late payments at 10% per year.
The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the categories of funds listed below as provided by the Maine State Legislature. Funds to be expended pursuant to M.S.R.A. by municipal Legislative body. The amount of each category is an estimate only.

Beach (State Park Revenue Sharing)	$ 3,800
Civil Emergency Funds	unknown
General Assistance Reimbursement	$ 0
Local Road Assistance	$10,000
Municipal Revenue Sharing	$16,000
Registration Refund	unknown
Property Tax Relief	unknown
Public Library State Aid per Capital	unknown
Public Library Stipend	unknown
Special Ed. Entitlement	$ 3,245
State Gen. Purpose Aid to Education	$19,262
ECIA Title I	$ 0
ECIA Title II	$ 600
School Lunch Reimbursement	$ 2,000
School Debt Reimbursement	$ 2,975
Cert. Block Grant	unknown
Tree Growth	$ 0
Veteran's Exemption Reimbursement	$ 600

The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept tax money in advance of receiving the tax commitment from the assessors. The Town will pay no interest on these advance payments.
The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize 1999-2000 CIP Surplus, except for Library/School Architect, to be transferred to CIP Reserve Fund.
The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer of the surplus from the Library/School Architect CIP to the Library/School Expansion Reserve Fund.
The Finance & School Committee recommend a "YES" vote.

Article 28. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for CIP Reserve with the condition that the Town authorize the Selectmen to reduce such appropriation to stabilize the mil rate.

The Finance Committee recommends:	**$15,000**

Article 29. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to transfer from the CIP Reserve Fund (including accumulated interest) and appropriate for 2000-2001 CIP projects.

The Finance Committee recommends:	**$ 4,145**

Article 30. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for capital spending.

The Finance Committee recommends:	**$71,610**

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the principal and accumulated interest from the David Herbert Memorial Fund, established by vote of the Town in May 1996, to use in partial payment of the 2000-2001 debt payment for E-3 replacement. While use of the principal contradicts the intention of the original document, the Trustees recommend a "YES" vote.
The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 32. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a Community Center roof.

The Finance Committee recommends:	**$11,900**
From Taxes:	$ 9,400
From Donations:	$ 2,500

Article 33. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Painting, Planting & Chowder Society.

The Finance Committee recommends:	**$ 9,500**

Article 34. Shall the town approve the Long Island Community Library as a department of the Town for the purpose of providing public library services to the Town, which department shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of nine (9) members appointed by the Board of Selectmen for staggered terms of five (5) years?
The Selectmen recommend a "YES" vote.

Article 35. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the Long Island Community Library operating costs.

The Finance Committee recommends:	**$ 3,000**

Article 36. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for the Community Center operating costs.

The Finance Committee recommends:	**$ 1,300**

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate, for the fiscal year beginning 1-July-2000 and ending 30-Jun-2001, all revenues, grants, fees and designated surplus, for the purpose of reducing 2000-2001 tax commitment.

The Finance Committee recommends:	
Revenues, Fees & Grants	$152,830
Audited 98-99 Govt.. Surplus	$ 44,074
CIP Reserve	$ 4,145
MEDEVAC Carry Forward	$ 8,500
David Herbert Memorial Fund	$ 6,670

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee to accept, on behalf of the town: gifts, donations and contributions in the form of money, personal services and materials. Said gifts will be for the benefit of the town, its government including legal departments and public facilities thereof, for the purpose of aiding and enhancing the delivery of public services. Said gifts to be without conditions and not require the voters to raise additional maintenance monies.
The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 39. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen and the School Committee, on behalf of the town, to secure grants, funds, and other available revenues from the state, federal, and other agencies and sources and authorize the expenditure of said dedicated funds.
The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 40. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to dispose of town-owned excess personal property following provisions of the excess property policy passed 9/16/98.
The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow or appropriate from unappropriated surplus as they deem advisable to meet unanticipated expenses and emergencies that occur during fiscal year 2000-2001.
The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the town on abated taxes at 8% for the 2000-2001 fiscal year.

Article 43. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Cemetery Operations.

The Finance Committee recommends:	**$6,900**

Article 44. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Recreation Committee.

The Finance Committee recommends: $7,875

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and direct the Board of Selectmen and the Treasurer to sell by sealed bid, public auction, or exchange, the tax acquired property. The Board of Selectmen have the right to reject any and all bids for cause. Minimum bidding price shall be the assessed value of the property. Owners of abutting property will be given right of first refusal and will be notified by certified mail, others by a public announcement. The Board of Selectmen also are authorized to assist the resident in achieving conformity with existing zone codes by the sale of abutting tax acquired property.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to raise the municipal share of external plumbing permit fees as shown in State External Plumbing Code, Table 110.2 by 60%.

The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 47. Shall the fee schedule included in Article II, Section 6-18 of "Chapter 6, Building and Building Regulations" of the Town of Long Island Ordinances, (an amendment to the BOCA National Building Code section 112.31, 1.A.) be amended as follows: Repeal the current schedule of fees set forth in section 6.18 as amending Section 112.1. of the BOCA National Building Code and entitled "Construction Work A., Cost of work fees", and replace it with the following fee schedule and provision:

Cost of Work Fees Table

House	1 Story	$52	per square foot of first floor
	2 Story	$75	per square foot of first floor
	3 Story	$86	per square foot of first floor
Garage	1 Story	$15	per square foot of first floor
	2 Story	$25	per square foot of first floor

The Building Permit Fee charged will be at the rate of $5 per thousand of the structure's estimated value. To calculate Building Permit Fee, multiply the figures derived from the above table by $5 per thousand or $.005.

The Finance Committee recommends a "YES" vote.

Article 48. Shall an ordinance entitled Chapter 14, Land Use Revised 5/3/97 be repealed and replaced by an ordinance entitled Chapter 14, Land Use Revised 5/6/00, which states the minimum building lot in residential zones IR-1 and IR-2 be 20,000 S.F.. It is the intention of this article that the number, 60,000 sq. ft., in Sec. 14-385, Non Conforming Lots of Record, of the ordinances of Long Island, (1) and (2) be changed to read 20,000 sq. ft. and that the rest of this article, Section (3), (a), (b), (c), (d) remain in effect. The 20,000 sq. ft. will not apply in the shore land zone.

Article 49. Shall an ordinance entitled "Chapter 14 Land Use Revised 5/1/99 - Art. VI Board of Appeals", be amended by adding the phrase and two alternates (who will vote in the absence of one (1) or two (2) regular members), after the words five (5) members. Also adding the phrase and/or alternates after any other reference to the word member.

Article 50. Shall an ordinance entitled 14-49 Zoning Map, be amended by a revision on the Zoning Map of the Town of Long Island entitled "Shoreland Zoning Map" for the Town of Long Island, remove lot #3 from I/R 1 and place it in Zone I/B? (Map 98)

Article 51. Shall an ordinance entitled 14-49 Zoning Map, be amended by a revision of the Zoning Map of the Town of Long Island entitled "Shoreland Zoning Map" for the Town of Long Island, remove lot #5, within the Northland Sub-division Zone I/R 1 to Zone I/B? (Map 98)

Article 52. Shall an ordinance entitled "Chap. 2, Art. 1, Sec. 2-5 revised 5/3/97" be repealed and replaced by the ordinance entitled "Chap. 2, Art. 1, Sec. 2-5 Revised 5/6/00" as follows to amend the phrase "The Selectmen shall appoint the following:" to "The Selectmen shall appoint the following for three year terms:".

Article 53. Shall the Town amend the current Section 14-473 "Variance" of "Chapter 14, Land Use" of the Town of Long Island Ordinances as follows:

Repeal Subsection (c) of Section 14-473 and replace it with the following provisions:

c. Variances Permitted.

c. 1. Use variances.

Except as provided in subsections c.2., c.3. and c.4. herein, the Board of Appeals may grant a variance only when strict application of the ordinance to the applicant and the applicant's property would cause undue hardship. The term "undue hardship" as used in this subsection means:

A. The land in question can not yield a reasonable return unless a variance is granted;
B. The need for a variance is due to the unique circumstances of the property and not to the general conditions in the neighborhood;
C. The granting of a variance will not alter the essential character of the locality; and
D. The hardship is not the result of action taken by the applicant or a prior owner.

c. 2. Disability Variances.

Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (c)(1), (c)(3), (c)(4) or (c)(5) of this section, the board may grant a variance to a property owner for the limited purpose of making that property accessible to a person with a disability who is living on the property. The board shall restrict any variance granted under this subsection solely to the installation of equipment or the construction of structures necessary for access to or egress from the property by the person with the disability. The board may impose conditions on the variance, including limiting the variance to the duration of the disability or to the time that the person with the disability lives on the property. For the purpose of this subsection, "with a disability" and "disability" shall have the same meaning as "person with a physical or mental disability" and "physical or mental disability" as

defined in subsections 7-A and 7-B of section 4553 of Title 5 of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated.

c. 3. Limited Setback variance for single-family dwellings.
The Board of Appeals may grant an applicant a setback variance for the location or relocation of a single-family dwelling if the owner demonstrates that strict application of the zoning ordinance to the owner and the owner's property would cause undue hardship. The term "undue hardship" as used in this subsection means:

A. The need for a variance is due to the unique circumstances of the property and not to the general conditions in the neighborhood;
B. The granting of a variance will not alter the essential character of the locality;
C. The hardship is not the result of action taken by the applicant or a prior owner;
D. The granting of the variance will not substantially reduce or impair the use of abutting property; and
E. That the granting of a variance is based upon demonstrated need, not convenience, and no other feasible alternative is available.

A variance under this subsection is strictly limited to permitting a variance from a setback requirement for a single-family dwelling that is the primary year-round residence of the applicant. Except as follows, a variance under this subsection may not exceed 20% of any set-back requirement and may not be granted if the variance would cause the area of the dwelling to exceed the maximum permissible lot coverage. A variance under this subsection may exceed 20% of a set-back requirement, except for minimum setbacks from a wetland or water body required within shoreland zones by rules adopted pursuant to Title 38, chapter 3, subchapter I, article 2-B of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, if the applicant meets all of the criteria under this subsection and has obtained the written consent of all affected abutting landowners.

c. 4. Limited Variances from dimensional standards.
Applicants may obtain a variance from the dimensional standards of a zoning ordinance when strict application of the ordinance to the applicant and applicant's property would cause a "practical difficulty" as hereafter defined and when the following conditions exist:

A. The need for a variance is due to the unique circumstances of the property and not to the general condition of the neighborhood;
B. The granting of a variance will not produce an undesirable change in the character of the neighborhood and will not unreasonably detrimentally affect the use or market value of abutting properties;
C. The practical difficulty is not the result of action taken by the petitioner or a prior owner;
D. No other feasible alternative to a variance is available to the petitioner;
E. The granting of a variance will not unreasonably adversely affect the natural environment; and
F. The property is not located in whole or in part within shoreland areas as described in Title 38, section 435.

As used in this subsection, "dimensional standards" means and is limited to the ordinance provisions relating to lot are, lot coverage, frontage and setback requirements.

As used in this subsection, "practical difficulty" means that the strict application of the ordinance to the property precludes the ability of the applicant to pursue a use permitted in the zoning district in which the property is located and results in significant economic injury to the petitioner.

A variance under this subsection is strictly limited to permitting a variance from dimensional requirements. Except as follows, a variance under this subsection may not exceed 20% of any dimensional requirement. A variance under this subsection may exceed 20% of a set-back requirement, except for minimum setbacks from a wetland or water body required within shoreland zones by rules adopted pursuant to Title 38, chapter 3, subchapter I, article 2-B of the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated, if the applicant meets all of the criteria under this subsection, has obtained the written consent of all affected abutting landowners and the variance is not prohibited under subsection c. 5.

c. 5. Specific Variances prohibited.

(a) No use variance for a use permitted in medium density residential districts shall be permitted in low-density residential districts. No use variance for a use permitted in business districts shall be permitted in any residential district.

(b) No variance shall be granted which would result in a use or development of the lot or parcel in question which would not be in harmony with the general purpose and intent of this article or the Comprehensive Plan of the Town; which would be materially detrimental to the public welfare or materially injurious to the enjoyment, use or development of property or improvement permitted in the vicinity; or which would materially impair in adequate supply of light and air to properties and improvements in the vicinity, substantially increase congestion in the public streets, increase the danger of flood or fire, or endanger the public safety.

(c) No variance shall be granted which would be greater than the minimum variance necessary to relieve the undue hardship of the applicant.

(d) Except for appeals concerning nonconforming dwelling units in existence and use prior to April 18, 1984, no variance shall be granted which would permit the alteration of a structure to accommodate any additional dwelling unit as a conditional use without meeting the requirements that would otherwise be a condition precedent to such conditional use treatment.

Explanatory Note

The revisions of subsection (c) of section 14-473 of the Town of Long Island Land Use Ordinances proposed in this article expand the availability of variances to include two new variance options and the relevant standards for each as are now authorized by state statute, 30-A M.R.S.A. section 4353. The first new variance option, included at subsection c.3. of the proposed section 14-473, is a variance process authorizing setback variances for single-family homes. The second, at subsection c.4., is a variance process for dimensional standards. As drafted both subsections c.3. and c.4. include the standards required by the state statute. Minor adjustments and corrections have been made to the remaining provisions of subsection (c).

Article 54. To see if the Town will adopt a new use in IR-1 Zoning Districts entitled "Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant". Adoption of this article will make the following changes to the Town's Land Use Ordinance, Chapter 14.

A. Add the following to Section 14-47. (Definitions), as follows; *Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant:* A separate, incidental accessory use of a legally operating Bed and Breakfast that allows meals to be served to persons not staying overnight at the Bed and Breakfast provided that applicable review and performance standards contained in this Ordinance are met and maintained.

B. Add as new "j" to Section 14-145.3, Subsection 2 (Conditional uses in IR-1 Zoning District), as follows;

j. Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant that comply with standard herein.

C. Add as new threshold for "Major Development" to Article V (Site Plan), Section 14-522 (Definitions), Subsection 6 as follows;

(6) Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant

D. Add New Section 14-411 (Use Regulations and Exceptions) as follows; **Section 14-411. Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant.**

(1) *Purpose:* The purpose of Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant is to allow the secondary and incidental use of a legally operating Bed and Breakfast to provide meals to persons not staying overnight in the establishment.

(2) The following standard must be met and maintained.

a. The number of persons served at any one time shall not exceed 1 1/2 (one and one-half) times the number of persons the

establishment has obtained all necessary approvals for including but not limited to safety egress, water supply and disposal, and all applicable local and state approvals.

b. The owners/operators are responsible for having the ability of the subsurface wastewater disposal system checked to ensure that it is capable of absorbing the total expected flow (gallons per day) for the establishment and any other plumbing fixtures connected to the disposal system.

c. The owners/operators are responsible for obtaining the above referenced report from a licensed engineer or site evaluator. This report shall be made available to the town's Local Plumbing Inspector (LPI) at the town's request. If the town's LPI determines that the disposal system is malfunctioning and is causing a public health hazard, the LPI shall have the authority to order that the additional meals not be served until all applicable standards have been met.

d. The owners/operators are responsible for ensuring that food and drink are served and consumed on the premises. Any outdoor consumption of food or drink on the premises must be specifically approved by the Planning Board.

e. The Planning Board shall have the authority to approve or deny any outdoor consumption based upon the Site Plan standards and whether or not neighboring properties would incur unreasonable adverse impact(s).

f. In no event shall any Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant sell food or drink that is specifically designed to be consumed off the premises from the Bed and Breakfast establishment (i.e. take-out). This specifically excludes drive-thru service.

g. In no event shall the Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant Use of a Bed and Breakfast establishment become the primary use of the property as determined by the Planning Board.

Article 55. To see if the Town will adopt a retroactive provision for the standards established for Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant Use. Adoption of this article would result in the standards above in article to be applicable retroactively to the Town vote on November 7, 1998 which established the trial period of allowing Limited Bed and Breakfast Restaurant Use.

Article 56. Shall an ordinance entitled "Chapter 13.4 Harbor and Waterfront Ordinance Revised 5/1/99" be repealed and replaced by the ordinance entitled "Chapter 13.4 Harbor and Waterfront Ordinance Revised 5/6/00".*

***Copies of the text of the "Harbor and Waterfront Ordinance" are available from the Town Clerk (30-A MRSA ss 3002(1)).**

Article 57. To see if the Town will accept as a donation the land defined as 101-B-4 on Long Island Tax Maps from Carmen Doughty. To be used as a small public park and beach access area. The donor intends to place a bench on the site, with a plaque, in memory of Elwin G., Warren E. and Thomas W. Doughty.

Article 58. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee and Selectmen to accept, on behalf of the Town, a gift from Robert L. and Carol R. Bounds, Jts. of two parcels of land, identified lots 97-M-3 and 97-P-3 on the Town Tax Maps.

The School Committee and Selectmen recommend a "YES" vote.

Article 59. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to use any Town owned gravel for any municipal purpose.

Article 60. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to place lots 5A and 32A on Map 95A of the Town in conservation easement.

Article 61. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to submit legislation to obtain ownership of South Beach from the State of Maine at the next legislative session.

Stephen R. Train, Selectman/Chair

Thomas W. Marr, Selectman

James G. Thibault, Selectman

A true copy of the warrant 5/6/00

Attest: _____
Clerk of Town of Long Island, Maine

Posted this 27th day of April, 2000.