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## SoundWaters Awards Scholarship to Stamford High Graduate

Logan Goncalves, SHS '22, headed to Northeastern University

Stamford, CT – SoundWaters awarded its 2022 Scott Mitchell Scholarship to Stamford High School graduate, Logan Goncalves, in a ceremony at Boccuzzi Park attended by Mayor Caroline Simmons, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Tamu Lucero, family and friends. Goncalves will put his \$1,000 scholarship to quick use as he heads to Northeastern University in Boston this fall to study business.

The Scott Mitchell Scholarship is awarded annually to a deserving SoundWaters student and graduating high school senior from Stamford, who has demonstrated leadership skills and a passion for and commitment to the environment. Scholarship recipients will have attended a program, volunteered or interned with SoundWaters at some point during their academic career.

Logan Goncalves has an exceptionally deep background with SoundWaters. He participated in multiple programs, beginning as a fourth grade student at Starks Elementary School, followed by four summers during middle school in the SoundWaters Young Mariners youth sailing and development program. Summers during high school, Goncalves worked as a junior staff member and counselor for both Young Mariners and Camp SoundWaters. At Stamford High School, he was a member of the National Honors Society, the National English Honors Society and the boys soccer team.

In his application, Goncalves wrote about the impact SoundWaters has made on him: "SoundWaters has offered me a vast education on our marine life and the Sound that has not only piqued my interests, but has brought a passion into my life. These learning experiences through the summer camp, after-school programs and schooner trips have all brightened my world and helped me realize how important it is to not only protect our environment, but advocate for it as well. I now attempt to share the information I have learned with others."

"We are so proud of Logan," said Christina Genz, SoundWaters Director of Education. "He embodies our mission to protect Long Island Sound through education and it has been exciting to watch him grow through so many of our programs. I look forward to following his progress in college and beyond."

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### About the Scott Mitchell Scholarship,

The scholarship is named in honor of Scott Mitchell, longtime SoundWaters Board member, who served as chair of the Board of Directors from 2013 to 2018. The award honors Scott's exceptional leadership and his passion for SoundWaters and our environment.

#### **About SoundWaters**

SoundWaters, founded in 1989, is the region's premier environmental education organization focused on the protection of Long Island Sound. Annually, SoundWaters hosts shipboard and land-based programs for more than 30,000 students from pre-K through high school. SoundWaters works in partnership with schools, communities, civic organizations, businesses and other environmental and educational organizations to develop experiences that foster a sense of responsibility for the environment and encourage actions that ensure a sustainable future for Long Island Sound. For more information, visit SoundWaters.org.