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November 30, 2023

Dear Secretary Galvin;

This letter is to inform you that the Town of Ashland has accepted a Mass General Law:

G.L. c.59 sec. 5(K) - Property tax liability reduced in exchange for volunteer

This vote took place at the Special Town Meeting held on November 29, 2023 in Ashland, MA.

Please update your records to reflect this change. A certified copy of the vote is attached for your records.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Respectfully,

Cynthia Livingstone

Cynthia T. Livingstone
Ashland Town Clerk



TOWN OF ASHLAND
TOWN MEETING CERTIFIED VOTE
Wednesday, November 29, 2023
Vote on Article 3

ARTICLE 3: Senior Tax Work Off Program **Sponsor: Town Manager/Senior Center Director**

To see if the Town will affirm its acceptance of G.L. c. 59 sec. 5(K) to allow for the Select Board to establish a senior tax work off program and further that the Town adjust the exemption and; (1) allow an approved representative, for persons physically unable, to provide such services to the town; and (2) allowing the maximum reduction of the real property tax bill to be based on 125 volunteer service hours in a given tax year, rather than \$1,500.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: *The Finance Committee recommends that the Town affirm its acceptance of G.L. c 59 sec 5(k) and allow an approved representative, for persons physically unable, to provide such services to the town; and (2) allowing the maximum reduction of the real property tax bill to be based on 125 volunteer service hours in a given tax year, rather than \$1,500.*

Speaker: Yolanda Greaves, Select Board Vice Chair

MOTION MADE: That the Town affirms its acceptance of G.L. c.59 sec. 5(K) for the Select Board to establish a senior tax work off program and further that the Town adjust the exemption and; (1) allow an approved representative, for persons physically unable, to provide such services to the town; and (2) allowing the maximum reduction of the real property tax bill to be based on 125 volunteer service hours in a given tax year, rather than \$1,500.

The motion was seconded.

A simple majority is required.

VOTE ON ARTICLE 3: PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

A True Copy Attest:



Cynthia T. Livingstone, Ashland Town Clerk

