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**CERTIFICATE OF VOTE  
ARTICLE 26**

**Amend Town Charter, Part III Section 3-10, Eliminate the Election of Town Constable  
2017 Fall Annual Town Meeting  
Third and Final Session – Monday, October 23, 2017**

I, Patricia E. Dzuris, Town Clerk of Chelmsford, Massachusetts, do hereby certify the following vote taken under Article 26 at the third and final session of the 2017 Fall Annual Town Meeting held at the Chelmsford Senior Center 75 Groton Road, Chelmsford, MA 01863. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Moderator Jon H. Kurland. There were 116 members present which satisfied a quorum requirement of 82.

**ARTICLE 26.** To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 43B, §10 and Section 7-1 of the Town Charter, to amend the Town Charter, Part III, relative to the Elected Town Offices, specifically in Section 3-10, by deleting the strike-through text as follows:

~~(a) Term of Office. There shall be one constable elected for a term of three years, provided, however, additional constables shall be appointed by the elected constable subject to approval of the board of selectmen.~~

~~(b) Powers and Duties. The constable may serve such civil writs and processes as are authorized by law. The constable shall serve all warrants and other processes of the town.~~

; or act in relation thereto.

**MOTION UNDER ARTICLE 26.** I move that the Town, pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c. 43B, §10 and Section 7-1 of the Town Charter, amend the Town Charter, Part III, relative to the Elected Town Offices, specifically in Section 3-10, by deleting therefrom the following strike-through text:

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SUBMITTED BY: Board of Selectmen, 2/3 vote required

Police Chief James Spinney presenting.

C. Thomas Christiano made a motion to move the question.

YES: 80 NO: 41 ABSTENTIONS: 0  
Motion to move the question Fails to pass by a 2/3 vote.

Recommendations:

Board of Selectmen: 2 – 1 approval, 1 abstention  
Finance Committee: No Action

The electronic voting devices recorded the following votes:

YES: 81 NO: 37 ABSTENTIONS: 2

**MOTION UNDER ARTICLE 26: Carries by 2/3 vote**



Patricia E. Dzuris