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Patricia E. Dzuris, CMC Town Clerk

CERTIFICATE OF VOTE ARTICLE 21

General Bylaw Amendment Prohibition of Meetings During Elections Monday, October 18, 2021

I, Patricia E. Dzuris, Town Clerk of Chelmsford, Massachusetts, do hereby certify the following vote taken under Article 21 at the Fall Annual Town Meeting on Monday, October 18, 2021, 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 115 members present which satisfied a quorum requirement of 82.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Code by adding a new section to Chapter 106 Officers, Boards and Committees as follows:

Section 106-8 Prohibition of Meetings During Elections.

No multiple member body of the town shall conduct a meeting during the election hours of a municipal or state election that is occurring within the town.

; or act in relation thereto.

SUBMITTED BY: Town Manager

MOTION UNDER ARTICLE 21. I move that the Town amend the Town Code by adding a new section to Chapter 106 Officers, Boards and Committees as follows:

Section 106-8 Prohibition of Meetings During Elections.

No multiple member body of the town shall conduct a meeting during the election hours of a municipal or state election that is occurring within the town. For the purpose of this section, election hours of a municipal or state election shall include only the hours in which live voting is taking place on election day, and shall not count early voting prior to election day.

SUBMITTED BY: Town Manager

Recommendations:

Finance Committee: No action pending clarification of Article 21, which was received.

Select Board: Unanimously recommends approval of Article 21. The electronic voting devices registered the following votes:

YES: 106 NO: 3 Abstentions: 0

MOTION UNDER ARTICLE 21: Carries by majority vote.

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