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**CERTIFICATE OF VOTE
ARTICLE 25**

**Amend Chapter 195 "Zoning Bylaw" Section 195-40(C) Acreage
Monday, October 18, 2021**

I, Patricia E. Dzuris, Town Clerk of Chelmsford, Massachusetts, do hereby certify the following vote taken under Article 25 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 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Code, Chapter 195 "Zoning Bylaw" by revising 195-40(C) by adding the following underlined language and striking the language shown in strikethrough:

No area or areas totaling ~~two acres~~ one acre or more on any parcel or contiguous parcels in the same ownership, or part of a larger development shall have existing vegetation clear-stripped or be filled six inches or more so as to destroy existing vegetation unless in conjunction with agricultural activity; or unless necessarily incidental to construction on the premises under a currently valid building permit; or unless within streets which are either public or designated on an approved subdivision plan; or unless a special permit is approved by the Planning Board on condition that runoff will be controlled, erosion avoided and either a constructed surface or cover vegetation will be provided not later than the first full spring season immediately following completion of the stripping operation. No stripped area or areas which are allowed by special permit shall remain through the winter without a temporary cover of winter rye or similar plant material being provided for soil control, except in the case of agricultural activity where such temporary cover would be infeasible.

; or act in relation thereto.

**SUBMITTED BY: Town Manager
*Two-Thirds Vote***

MOTION UNDER ARTICLE 25. I move that the Town amend the Town Code, Chapter 195 "Zoning Bylaw" by revising 195-40(C) by adding the following underlined language and striking the language shown in strikethrough:

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Recommendations:

Finance Committee: Unanimously recommends approval of Article 25 under the consent agenda.

Select Board: Unanimously recommends approval of Article 25 under the consent agenda.

Planning Board: Unanimously recommends approval of Article 25 under the consent agenda.

The electronic voting devices registered the following votes:

YES: 108 NO: 2 Abstentions: 0

MOTION UNDER CONSENT AGENDA: Carries by two-thirds vote.



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