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January 3, 2011

To Whom It May Concern:

The Annual Fall Town Meeting of October 18, 2010, was called to order at 7:35 PM at the Senior Center at 75 Groton Rd. The Moderator Dennis E. McHugh recognized the presence of a quorum. There were **135** Town Meeting Representatives present. The following action took place:

UNDER ARTICLE 12. Dwight Hayward moved to waive the reading of the article. The Moderator asked for a vote on the motion by way of a show of hands, **motion carried, unanimously.**

The Manager explained that this was a Charter change that had been reviewed four years ago by the Charter Commission. The Commission felt that the word nine should be removed in regards to the number of precincts in the Town. At this point and time there is no indication that the number of precincts would be increased to over nine, this is being considered as a housekeeping article. There shouldn't be a set limit to the number of precincts the Town has. The Town would petition the State Legislator requesting that the Charter be amended. The Moderator asked for any questions, hearing none he asked for recommendations. The Finance Committee did not have any recommendation regarding this article. The Board of Selectmen recommended the article. The Moderator asked for any debate, hearing none he asked for a vote by way of a show of hands. **Motion carried.** The article voted reads as follows:

Selectman George R. Dixon Jr moved that the Town vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to petition the General Court for special legislation amending the Town Charter as it relates to the establishment of voting precincts by eliminating the requirement that there be nine voting precincts as set forth below:

**AN ACT AMENDING THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF CHELMSFORD
RELATIVE TO THE NUMBER OF VOTING PRECINCTS**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,
and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

SECTION 1. The charter of the Town of Chelmsford, which is on file in the office of the archivist of the commonwealth as provided in Section 12 of Chapter 43B of the



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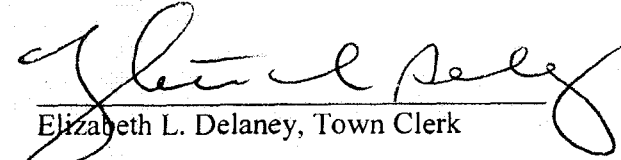
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General Laws, is hereby amended by striking out the word "nine" in the first sentence of Section 2-2 Establishment of Districts.

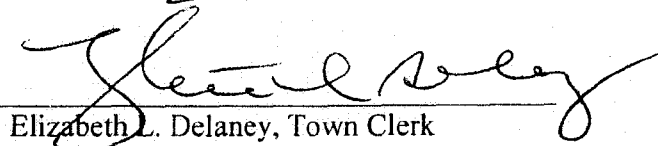
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

Provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical or editorial changes of form only to the bill, unless the Board of Selectmen approves amendments to the bill before enactment by the General Court which are within the scope of the general public objectives of the petition.

Sincerely,


Elizabeth L. Delaney, Town Clerk

A True Copy Attest:


Elizabeth L. Delaney, Town Clerk

In the Year Two Thousand and Twelve

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE NUMBER OF VOTING PRECINCTS IN THE TOWN CHELMSFORD.


Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

SECTION 1. The first paragraph of section 2-2 of the charter of the town of Chelmsford is hereby amended by striking out the word "nine".

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

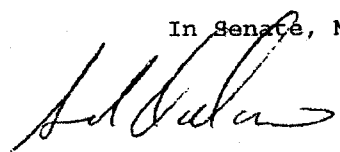
House of Representatives, March 15, 2012.

Passed to be enacted,

 , Speaker.

In Senate, March 15, 2012.

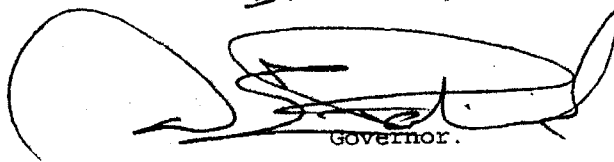
Passed to be enacted,

 , President.

23 March, 2012.

Approved,

at 10 o'clock and 23 minutes, A. M.


Governor.