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December 17, 2019

Kelly Cote, Town Clerk Town of Uxbridge 21 South Main Street Uxbridge, MA 01569

Re:

Uxbridge Fall Annual Town Meeting of October 22, 2019 -- Case # 9626

Warrant Article # 13 (General)

Dear Ms. Cote:

Article 13 - We approve Article 13 from the October 22, 2019 Uxbridge Fall Annual Town Meeting.

Note: Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the Town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of that statute. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) general by-laws and amendments take effect on the date these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) zoning by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were approved by the Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

Very truly yours,

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December 18, 2019

## ARTICLE 13: GENERAL BYLAW AMENDMENT - DATE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETINGS FOR ELECTION OF OFFICERS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town's General By-laws, Section 125-1: Date of Annual Town Meetings for election of officers, by replacing the text with the following:

## DATE OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETINGS FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The annual Town election for the election of Town officers and for the determination of all other matters to be referred to the voters shall be held on the fourth Tuesday in May, except in those years when the immediately preceding Monday is a holiday, in which years the subsequent election shall be held on the third Tuesday in May."

Or take any actions related thereto.

**SPONSOR:** Board of Selectmen

COMMENTARY: The changed text is underlined. This amendment was previously voted at the November 20, 2007 Fall Town Meeting. It was approved by the Attorney General's Office and was erroneously never updated in the text of the General Bylaws. This Article is an effort to clean up the Bylaws and will ensure the amendment gets added to the General Bylaws.

MOTION: Move the article as written

Vote required for passage: Uxbridge General Bylaws requires a 2/3rds majority

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Favorable Action (6-0-0) THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMENDATION: Favorable action (5-0-0)

The motion was seconded

Moderator declares a 2/3rds majority vote, motion carries, Yes-105, No-4