



TOWN OF WINDHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN/TOWN ADMINISTRATOR
3 NORTH LOWELL ROAD, WINDHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03087

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of RSA 40:13, the Town of Windham's 2017 Official Ballot Vote was scheduled for March 14, 2017 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at the Windham High School located at 64 London Bridge Road, and;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2017, the New Hampshire Bureau of Homeland Security and Emergency Management issued a bulletin from the National Weather Service for all of New Hampshire warning of a "Major Winter Storm" and predicting 12-18 inches of snow at potentially 1-4 inches per hour, with possible blizzard conditions and wind gusts of 30-40 mph, and;

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2017, after consulting with Town Counsel Bernard Campbell as to his authority, Town Moderator Peter Griffin reasonably determined the forecasted weather would cause the roads to be hazardous and unsafe and therefore, presented an unnecessary risk to the safety of voters travelling to the polling place and, pursuant to RSA 40:4, II, postponed and rescheduled the voting day from March 14 to March 18, 2017 at the same location and for the same time period, and;

WHEREAS, beginning at 3:10 p.m. on March 13, 2017, notice of said postponement was posted on the official Town website, the official Town Facebook page, the local WCTV-21 bulletin board, Twitter, available email lists, the Windham High School electronic sign on Route 111, WMUR's notification system, and physical postings in multiple Town facilities, and;

WHEREAS, a Town-wide mailer was mailed on March 16, 2017 and notice of the postponement appeared in the paper of local distribution, the Windham Independent, on March 17, 2017, and;

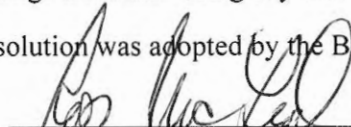
WHEREAS, the School District Moderator^{Town Moderator} and Town Clerk were present at the polling location on March 14, 2017 from 7:00 a.m. to approximately 5:00 p.m. in order to provide assistance and information relative to the postponement to any voters who may have arrived, and;

WHEREAS, the Town Moderator acted within his authority and in the best interest of the safety of voters by postponing the voting day as the safety of the citizens of Windham is of foremost concern to its officials and the decision to do so ensured same while allowing for the processes of democracy to occur and maximizing the ability and right to vote, and;

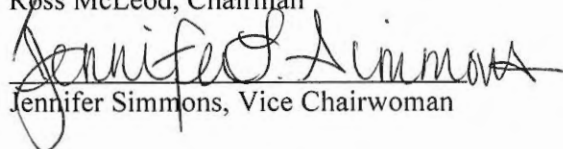
WHEREAS, as of May 8, 2017, the Board of Selectmen has not been made aware of the disenfranchisement of even a single potential voter (i.e., not a single person has alleged to the Board of Selectmen that their right and ability to vote was infringed due to the postponement of the voting day).

NOW THEREFORE, after conducting a properly noticed Public Hearing on this date in accordance with the provisions of HB 329, effective April 21, 2017, we do hereby legalize, ratify and confirm all actions, votes and proceedings from the voting day that was postponed and rescheduled from March 14, 2017 to March 18, 2017.

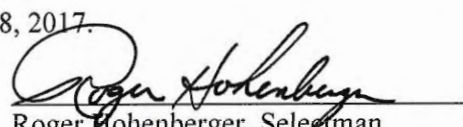
This resolution was adopted by the Board of Selectmen on May 8, 2017.



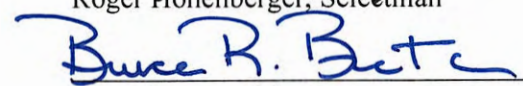
Ross McLeod, Chairman



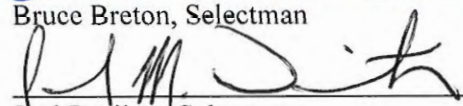
Jennifer Simmons, Vice Chairwoman



Roger Hohenberger, Selectman



Bruce Breton, Selectman



Joel Desilets, Selectman