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August 26, 2022 DELIVERED BY EMAIL

Dear Select Board Members,

In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the federal, state, and local advisories to practice social distancing and avoid the congregation of crowds, I request approval to conduct Wellesley's Special Town Meeting, scheduled to commence October 24, 2022, through remote participation via Zoom videoconferencing platform in accordance with Chapter 186 of the Acts of 2022 (the "Act").

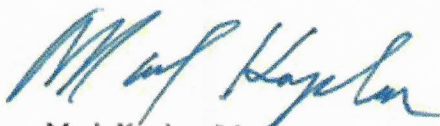
I have determined, with the assistance of appropriate Town officials and Town staff, that the Zoom videoconferencing platform is suitable to use to hold this town meeting; and with the assistance of Joe Murray, local coordinator for the Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"), I have confirmed that this meeting will comply with the ADA.

I hereby certify that: (A) I have tested the Zoom videoconferencing platform; and (B) the Zoom videoconferencing platform satisfactorily enables this town meeting to be conducted in substantially the same manner as if the meeting occurred in person at a physical location and in accordance with the operational and functional requirements set forth in the Act.

I further certify that the system provides for: (i) the moderator, town meeting members, town officials and any other interested members of the public to identify and hear the moderator and each town meeting member who attends and participates in the remotely-held town meeting, as well as any other individuals who participate in the remotely-held town meeting; (ii) the ability to determine whether a quorum is present; (iii) a town meeting member, town official or other individual to request recognition by the moderator without prior authorization; provided, however, that, to the extent technologically feasible, the request is visible or audible to the public in real time and upon review of the recording of the town meeting, preserved according to the

Act; (iv) the moderator to determine when a town meeting member wishes to be recognized to speak, make a motion, raise a point of order or object to a request for unanimous consent; (v) the moderator to recognize a town meeting member, town official or other individual to speak and to enable that person to speak; (vi) the ability to conduct a roll call vote; (vii) any interested members of the public to access the meeting remotely for purposes of witnessing the deliberations and actions taken at the town meeting; and (viii) the town meeting to be recorded.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark Kaplan".

Mark Kaplan, Moderator

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