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Berkshire, ss.

To either of the Constables, of the Town of Adams in the County of Berkshire in said Commonwealth:

#### Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants of the Town of Adams qualified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Adams Memorial Building, Side Entrance, 30 Columbia Street, Adams, Massachusetts on Wednesday the 7<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023, at 6:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles, to wit.

# **ANNUAL ARTICLES**

- Article 1 To choose all other town officers not previously chosen by ballot.
- Article 2 To hear the reports of the Board of Selectmen and other town officers and act thereon.
- Article 3 To hear the reports of any committee and act thereon.
- Article 4 To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town in accordance with the provisions of Section 108 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, as amended, and to see if any of said salaries and compensation shall be increased, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Board of Selectmen	Board of Health
Chairman350	Chairman350
Member300	Member300
Board of Assessors	Cemetery Commissioners
Full-Time74,635	Chairman350
Part-Time300	Member300
Treasurer/Collector74,635	<b>Moderator</b> 300
Town Clerk74,635	

# **OPERATING OMNIBUS ARTICLE**

Article 5 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum or sums of money as may be necessary to defray the ordinary expenses of the Town for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, or take any other action in relation thereto.

	Person	nal Services	Operati	Operating Expenses		
	FY2023 FY2024 FY2		FY2023	FY2024		
	Approved	Recommended	Approved	Recommended		
EXECUTIVE	1100-111					
Selectmen	1,834	1,834	13,850	15,475		
Town Administrator	192,283	201,211	32,183	38,855		
Town Counsel	46,821	47,051				
Moderator	305	305	205	205		
Town Report			2,100	2,100		
FINANCE & TECHNOLOGY						
Finance Committee	528	528	1,980	3,080		
Employee/Retiree Benefits	1,595,332	1,633,108				
Accountant	137,406	149,704	40,050	43,555		
Technology	7,066	7,100	167,140	182,310		
Insurance			251,500	261,700		
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
Assessor	131,570	135,497	10,125	10,200		
Treasurer-Collector	129,791	137,676	33,150	33,150		
Town Clerk	151,430	142,219	4,850	4,850		
Elections			32,300	31,400		
Registrar of Voters	1,268	1,268				
Codification			2,500	2,500		
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT						
Community Development	128,119	151,144	121,675	132,175		
Greylock Glen Outdoor Center		44,034		57,500		
Conservation Commission			2,625	3,525		
Planning Board			5,600	5,600		
Zoning Board			4,835	4,835		
Historical Commission			450	450		
INSPECTION SERVICES						
Inspection Services	261,947	234,831	5,745	7,675		
Weights/Measures Inspector			3,500	5,000		
PUBLIC HEALTH						
Board of Health			14,800	16,800		

PUBLIC SAFETY Police Department Animal Control Officer Parking Management	FY2023 Approved	FY2024 Recommended	FY2023 Approved	FY2024
Police Department Animal Control Officer	1,864,673	Recommended	Approved	
Police Department Animal Control Officer	1,864,673			Recommended
Animal Control Officer				
		2,071,420	124,474	129,625
Parking Management	25,560	26,679	4,225	4,225
I diking Managoment	24,607	25,726	4,950	4,950
Emergency Management	2,129	2,129	2,875	2,875
Forest Warden	3,829	3,829	10,815	12,965
PUBLIC SERVICES	,		,	
Council on Aging	228,972	201,726	24,160	24,160
Veterans Services	16,500	18,500	139,955	139,955
Memorial Day				
Remembrances			1,450	1,450
Library	252,209	258,228	82,085	88,585
PUBLIC BUILDINGS/PROPE				E SOF SALE IN
MAINTENANCE				
Police Station			28,450	28,850
Registry of Deeds			1,050	1,050
Town Hall			26,675	21,350
Community Center			400	0
Public Building/Property				
Maintenance	80,883	101,955	140,000	192,000
Adams Memorial Building	,		117,300	116,300
Visitor's Center			15,850	12,400
PUBLIC WORKS			,,,,,,	R. M. Charles
Tree Warden/Insect Pest		THE REAL PROPERTY.	16,000	19,000
Public Works Administration	29,536	21,823	3,200	3,200
Department of Public Works	1,515,727	1,607,790	,	
Highways			76,450	117,350
Snow & Ice Control			246,000	246,000
Flood Control			600	600
DPW Garage/Equipment		THE PARTY NAMED IN		
Maintenance			197,500	202,000
Transfer Station	16,794		61,792	65,500
Wastewater Treatment Plant	-,		376,025	388,025
Wastewater Collection			4,700	5,000
Cemetery, Parks & Grounds			48,675	45,375
Celebrations - Seasonal			1,800	2,000
Totals		7,227,315	, -	2,737,730

	ARTICLE 5 - AVAILABLE	E 5 - AVAILABLE FUNDS TO BE USED		
DEPARTMENT		FUND	AMOUNT	
Parking Department		Parking Meter Fund	10,000	
Council on Aging		Council on Aging Fund	20,000	

# CAPITAL OMNIBUS ARTICLES

# Article 6

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum or sums of money as may be necessary for the purchase, rebuilding and/or installation of certain departmental equipment; for the contracting for certain services; to pay interest and loans maturing during this period; for the repair, reconstruction and/or construction of streets, roadways, sidewalks, sewers, guard rails, retaining walls, buildings, and/or bridges within the Town; further, to authorize the trade-in of any presently owned equipment toward the purchase price thereof, or take any other action in relation thereto.

CAPITAL OUTLAY

	FY2023	FY2024	
	Approved	Recommended	
ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE			
Technology	28,000	28,000	
Debt Service	592,825	644,678	
Total Recommendation		672,678	

	ARTICLE 6 - AVAILABLE	FUNDS TO BE USED	
DEPARTMENT		FUND	AMOUNT
Technology		Technology Fund	28,000

#### TECHNOLOGY - TOTAL

28,000

**Technology** 

28,000

This request is for technology needs for the Greylock Glen Outdoor Center including installation of communications and data infrastructure.

The above request is appropriated from the Technology fund for no impact to the Tax Rate.

# PRINCIPAL ON MATURING DEBT

<b>Town Hall/ Police Station/Library Bond Issue</b> This request represents the principal of Town Hall, Police Station & Library borrowing.	155,000
Adams Storm Damage Bond Issue This request represents the principal for the Storm Damage Bond.	135,000
Wastewater Treatment Plant This request represents the principal of the WWTP upgrade borrowing.	<u>195,054</u>
TOTAL PRINCIPAL	485,054
INTEREST ON MATURING DEBT	
<b>Town Hall/Police Station/Library Bond Issue</b> This request represents the interest on the Town Hall, Police Station & Library borrowings.	20,650
Adams Storm Damage Bond Issue This request represents the interest on the Storm Damage Bond.	61,550
Wastewater Treatment Plant This request represents the interest on the WWTP borrowing.	392
FY24 Wastewater Treatment Plant This request represents the interest on the FY24 Massachusetts Clean Water Trust WWTP Borrowing.	19,837
TOTAL INTEREST	102,429
FEES FOR MATURING DEBT	
FY24 Wastewater Treatment Plant This request represents the administrative fee and the loan origination fee on the FY24 Massachusetts Clean Water Trust WWTP Borrowing.	<u>37,195</u>
TOTAL FEES	37,195
<u>INTEREST – TEMPORARY LOANS</u>	
BAN's; GAN's; TAN's; and related fees	20,000

Temporary borrowing can occur for the following reasons: Anticipation of issuance of long-term debt (Bond Anticipation Notes), receipt of grants (Grant Anticipation Notes), or if the Town needs money to meet its financial obligations

and the tax bills have yet to be issued (Tax Anticipation Notes).

This request also represents fees associated with various loans.

This request includes the interest on the borrowings for the September 2018 storms.

### TOTAL INTEREST - TEMPORARY LOANS/FEES

20,000

# Article 7 CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND EQUIPMENT OUTLAY FROM FREE CASH

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds, Free Cash, a sum or sums of money as may be necessary for the purchase, rebuilding and/or installation of certain departmental equipment; for the contracting for certain services; buildings within the Town; further, to authorize the trade-in of any presently owned equipment toward the purchase price thereof, or take any other action in relation thereto.

	FY2024 Recommended
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	
Road assessment, Park & Columbia Streets Improvement Project, building demolition & site completion	220,000
PUBLIC SAFETY	
Police cruiser	65,000
Police station	13,000
PUBLIC SERVICE	
Library building	13,500
PUBLIC WORKS	A The new out to be to
DPW Garage/equipment maintenance	65,000
Facilities small equipment & tools	3,500
Cemetery, Parks & Grounds mobile equipment	10,000
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	
Capital projects reserve	160,000
TOTAL REQUESTED	550,000

#### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

220,000

#### Road Assessment

This request is for a road and sidwalk condition assessment and for the purchase of pavement management software.

# **Building Demolition & Site Completion**

This request is for demolition of small outbuildings at 1 Cook Street (former Coal & Grain), remaining debris removal costs at 26 Commercial Street (former Mobil Station) and related site completion work.

55,000

65,000

Park Street surface repair and pedestrian crossing improvements on Columbia Street.  PUBLIC SAFETY 78,000  Police Cruiser This request is for the purchase of a new 2023 Ford Explorer or a new 2023 Chevrolet Tahoe fully out-fitted police cruiser. 65,000 Police Station This request is for the replacement of the external and internal video security system at the Adams Police Department. 13,000  PUBLIC SERVICE Library This request is for multiple capital maintenance items on the building including the insulation of condensate piping and interior painting in the Library Annex. 13,500  PUBLIC WORKS DPW Garage/Equipment Maintenance This request is for the purchase of a new 2023 one ton Ford F-350 pick up with a Fisher Heavy Duty 9-foot plow. 60,000 DPW Garage/Equipment Maintenance This request is to sandblast, repair metal, and paint the asphalt hot box to prevent rust deterioration and prolong the machine's useful life. 5,000 Facilities This request is for the purchase of small mobile equipment and tools. Cemetery, Parks & Grounds This request is for a capital reserve for the purposes of public building construction, maintenance, repairs, and engineering for existing and upcoming capital projects. 160,000	Park & Columbia Streets Improvement Project This request is part of the funding required to complete		
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# REGIONAL SCHOOL ASSESSMENT ARTICLES

Article 8 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum or sums of money as may be necessary for the operating and capital assessments of the Hoosac Valley Regional School District for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, or take any other action in relation thereto.

	FY2023 Approved	FY2024 Recommended
Hoosac Valley Regional SD	6,299,090	6,526,955

The above assessment consists of five parts:

1)State	Department	of	Elementary	&	Secondary	Education	N	<b>l</b> inimum	Municipal
Coı	ntribution (Fo	unda	tion Budget)	,			\$ 3	,947,597	
2) Addit	ional Operation	ng A	ssessment (al	bove	e Foundation	),	\$ 1	,428,277	
3) Other	Expenditures	(No	on-Foundation	n-Tr	ansportation	),	\$	468,030	
4) Capit	al Assessmen	t – I	IVHS Projec	t D	ebt Exclusio	n	\$	683,051	
							\$ 6	5,526,955	

The total Hoosac Valley Regional School District FY2024 budget is \$21,385,195.

Article 9 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or appropriate from available funds, a sum or sums of money as may be necessary for the operating and capital assessments of the Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District (NBVRSD) for the fiscal period beginning July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, or take any other action in relation thereto.

	FY2023 Approved	FY2024 Recommended
No Berkshire Vocational RSD	948,049	978,048

The above assessment consists of four parts:

1)State	Department	of	Elementary	&	Secondary	Education	Minim	um	Municipa	al
Contribu	ition (Founda	tion	Budget),				\$	8	93,124	
2) Additional Operating Assessment (above Foundation),									31,205	
3) Additional Operating Assessment (Non-Foundation-Transportation),								5 5	50,402	
4) Capital Assessment (Capital Budget)							\$	8	3,317	

<u>\$ 978,048</u>

The total Northern Berkshire Vocational Regional School District FY2024 budget is \$11,499,066.

# TRANSFERS TO SPECIAL FUNDS

Article 10 To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds, a sum of money to be used to lower the tax rate, or take any other action in relation thereto.

It is proposed that \$150,000 of Free Cash be utilized to offset this year's Tax Rate.

Article 11 To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be added to the Stabilization Fund, or take any other action in relation thereto.

This article will transfer the balance of the Reserve Fund, currently \$175,000, to the Stabilization Fund.

Article 12 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds a sum of money to provide for extraordinary and/or unforeseen expenditures to be known as the Reserve Fund account, transfer from which may be made from time to time only by the Finance Committee, or take any other action in relation thereto.

This is an annual item that allows the Town the flexibility to meet operational difficulties, through the Finance Committee, and will eliminate the expense of calling a Special Town Meeting. Request: \$175,000.

Article 13 To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds a sum of money to pay unpaid bills of current or prior fiscal years, or take any other action in relation thereto.

At this time, there are no outstanding bills.

#### ANNUAL AUTHORIZATION ARTICLES

Article 14 To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Board of Selectmen to apply for and receive funds from the Community Development Block Grant Program under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, or take any other action in relation thereto.

This article will allow the Town to apply for and expend Community Development Block Grants.

Article 15 To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Board of Selectmen to apply for and receive funds from the United States Department of Agriculture under the Community Facilities Grant program, or take any other action in relation thereto.

This article will allow the Town to apply for and expend Community Facilities Grants.

Article 16 To see if the Town will vote to accept certain perpetual care funds that were received during the period January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 for the care and maintenance of cemetery lots, such funds are in the custody of the Town Treasurer, or take any other action in relation thereto.

This article will allow the Town to accept the \$3,100 deposited with the Town for the care and maintenance of cemetery lots.

Article 17 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow in the event of a revenue shortfall to allow the Treasurer to borrow via Revenue Anticipation Notes (RAN's), Tax Anticipation Notes (TAN's), Federal Aid Anticipation Notes (FAAN's), Grant Anticipation Notes (GAN's), and State Aid Anticipation Notes (SAAN's), in an amount not to exceed the anticipated revenue shortfall, or take any action in relation thereto.

The law requires that the Town annually grant this authority to the Town Treasurer.

# Article 18 AUTHORIZE REVOLVING FUND SPENDING LIMITS

To see if the Town will vote, pursuant to Massachusetts General Law Ch. 44, §53E ½ to establish limitations on expenditures from the revolving funds established by Chapter 50 of the General Bylaws, entitled, "Revolving Funds", as follows, or take any action in relation thereto:

Revolving Account	FY2024 Expenditure Limit
Bid Specification Revolving Fund	\$5,000
Sanitary Sewer Revolving Fund	\$30,000
Promotional Revolving Fund	\$5,000
Library Revolving Fund	\$7,000
Transfer Station Revolving Fund	\$90,000
Inspection Services Fund	\$25,000
Tax Title Revolving Fund	\$20,000
Adams Visitor Center	\$25,000
Adams Memorial Building	\$25,000

Article 19 AMEND COMPENSATION PLAN

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Compensation Plan as established by Section 10-5 of the Town of Adams Code of Laws or take any other action in relation thereto.

SALARY ADMINISTRATION PLAN - ANNUAL RATE TABLE - FISCAL YEAR 2024 This represents a 2.5% Base Wage Increase over Fiscal 2023												
Grade	Step 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	23,425	24,011	24,611	25,226	25,858	26,505	27,167	27,846	28,543	29,256	29,988	30,737
2	25,534	26,172	26,826	27,496	28,185	28,890	29,612	30,352	31,112	31,889	32,687	33,504
3	27,832	28,528	29,241	29,973	30,722	31,491	32,278	33,084	33,913	34,761	35,628	36,518
4	30,337	31,095	31,873	32,670	33,487	34,326	35,183	36,062	36,965	37,889	38,834	39,804
5	33,068	33,893	34,743	35,610	36,501	37,415	38,350	39,308	40,291	41,299	42,329	43,387
6	36,044	36,944	37,870	38,814	39,786	40,783	41,801	42,845	43,917	45,016	46,139	47,292
7	39,287	40,269	41,278	42,307	43,367	44,453	45,563	46,700	47,870	49,067	50,291	51,548
8	42,823	43,894	44,992	46,114	47,270	48,454	49,664	50,904	52,178	53,482	54,818	56,188
9	46,677	47,843	49,042	50,265	51,525	52,816	54,133	55,485	56,875	58,295	59,751	61,244
10	50,878	52,149	53,456	54,789	56,162	57,569	59,006	60,479	61,994	63,542	65,130	66,757
11	55,456	56.843	58,267	59,719	61,216	62,751	64,316	65,922	67,573	69,261	70,991	72,765
12	60,448	61,960	63,511	65,094	66,726	68,398	70,105	71,854	73,656	75,494	77,381	79,315
13	65,889	67,536	69,228	70,953	72,731	74,553	76,414	78,322	80,285	82,288	84,346	86,453
14	71,818	73,614	75,458	77,338	79,278	81,263	83,291	85,371	87,510	89,695	91,936	94,234
15	78,282	80,239	82,249	84,298	86,413	88,577	90,788	93,054	95,386	97,768	100,210	102,715
16	85,326	87,460	89,652	91,885	94,189	96,549	98,959	101,429	103,970	106,567	109,229	111,959
S											YEAR 20	
Grade	Step 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	1:
1	12.82	13.14	13.47	13.81	14.15	14.51	14.87	15.24	15.62	16.01	16.41	16.8
2	13.98	14.33	14.68	15.05	15.43	15.81	16.21	16.61	17.03	17.45	17.89	18.3
3	15.23	15.61	16.00	16.41	16.82	17.24	17.67	18.11	18.56	19.03	19.50	19.9
4	16.60	17.02	17.45	17.88	18.33	18.80	19.26	19.74	20.23	20.74	21.26	21.7
5	18.10	18.55	19.02	19.49	19.98	20.48	20.99	21.51	22.05	22.60	23.17	23.7
6	19.73	20.22	20.73	21.24	21.78	22.32	22.88	23.45	24.04	24.64	25.25	25.8
7	21.50	22.04	22.59	23.16	23.74	24.33	24.94	25.56	26.20	26.87	27.53	28.2
8	23.44	24.02	24.63	25.24	25.87	26.52	27.18	27.86	28.57	29.28	30.00	30.7
9	25.55 27.85	26.19	26.84	27.51	30.74	28.91 31.51	29.63 32.30	30.37	31.13	31.91 34.78	32.70 35.65	33.5
11	30.35	31.11	31.89	32.69	33.51	34.35	35.20	36.08	36.99	37.91	38.86	39.8
12	33.09	33.91	34.76	35.63	36.52	37.44	38.37	39.33	40.32	41.32	42.35	43.4
13	36.06	36.97	37.89	38.84	39.81	40.81	41.82	42.87	43.94	45.04	46.17	47.3
14	39.31	40.29	41.30	42.33	43.39	44.48	45.59	46.73	47.90	49.09	50.32	51.5
15	42.85	43.92	45.02	46.14	47.30	48.48	49.69	50.93	52.21	53.51	54.85	56.2
16	46.70	47.87	49.07	50.29	51.55	52.85	54.16	55.52	56.91	58.33	59.79	61.2

# BY-LAW AMENDMENTS

#### Article 20

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 86-2C, "Powers and duties of Chief of Police; presence of officer at station" of the General By-Laws to read as follows, or take any other action in relation thereto.

# §86-2C. Powers and duties of Chief of Police; presence of officer within Town

There shall be an officer on-duty within the Town during all 24 hours of the day.

Additional Background: This by-law was enacted in approxitmately 1918. Prior to 2016, the station was staffed by a civilian dispatcher. When dispatching services and 911 was transferred to the Sheriff's Department, this by-law resulted in a Sergeant or other fully trained police officer be assigned to station duty, thus reducing officers for patrol duty, despite a reduction of station related duties. The proposed lanuage will still require the Town to maintain full-time police services, but allow the Chief of Police flexibility to assign officers as needed, such as patrol duty, thus increasing the number of officers available to respond to calls for service. This is one of several changes that are being considered to reflect current law enforcement trends, maximize the effectiveness of our police force and reduce overtime costs.

#### Article 21

To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter 46 of the General By-Laws to reduce the size of the Finance Committee from 15 to 9 members by transition that shall occur over two years with the Committee having 12 members in Fiscal Year 2024 and 9 members in Fiscal Year 2025; that provisions for members assuming non-voting retired member status after reaching the age of 70 shall be eliminated; and that the term of Committee members shall be moved from May 1 to June 30, the end of the fiscal year. In order to implement such changes, Chapter 46-1 shall be deleted in its entirety and be replaced with the following; or take any other action in relation thereto:

### §46-1. Composition; appointment; term.

There shall be a Finance Committee consisting of 9 members who shall reside in the Town and shall be registered voters therein. Of this Committee no person holding an elective position or any other position in Town, other than that of Town Meeting member, shall be eligible to serve on the Finance Committee. The Town Moderator shall appoint all members of the Finance Committee, each of whom shall serve a term of three years. It is recommended that at least one member from each precinct be appointed by the Town Moderator, to ensure equitable representation. The term of office of each such member will expire on June 30.

Additional Background: In March 2022, the General Government Review Committee began its work on reviewing how the Town governs. Among the items reviewed was Chapter 46 of the General By-Laws regarding the Finance Committee. This change reflects modern municipal practice and adjusts the committee membership based on budget and population for a community the size of Adams.

# SPECIAL ARTICLES

# Article 22 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Economic Development Fund, a sum of money to be used for Fiscal Year 2024 expenses: \$65,000 for the payroll expenses of the Executive Director of the Greylock Glen Outdoor Center from January 1, 2024 through June 30, 2024, \$40,000 to be re-appropriated from FY2023 to maintain the Community Development Special Projects Manager to work on a variety of critical development projects, or take any other action in relation thereto.

The Town is asking for \$105,000 to be spent with the approval of the Town Administrator for Fiscal 2024.

#### Article 23 APPROPRIATE OVERLAY SURPLUS

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Overlay Surplus, a sum of money to be used for Fiscal Year 2024 expenses: \$233,000 for the Greylock Glen Outdoor Center, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Additional Background: The Board of Assessors voted to release \$233,011.38 from the Allowance for Abatements & Exemptions to Overlay Surplus on April 6, 2023. The Town is asking for \$233,000 to be appropriated and spent with the approval of the Town Administrator for Fiscal 2024.

#### Article 24 RE-APPROPRIATION OF UNSPENT CAPITAL FUNDS

To see if the Town will vote to transfer the unused fund balance of \$1,043.34 from the FY2023 capital appropriation of \$3,000.00 for the Valley Street Field Shed for Cemetery, Parks & Grounds to the Cemetery, Parks & Grounds operating budget for field fertilizer, weed control, etc. or take any action in relation thereto.

Additional Background: This appropriation was originally for the Town of Adams share of the replacement of the Valley Street Field Shed. This project has been successfully completed. This request is to transfer these unused funds for the purchase of additional materials to allow DPW to perform a comprehensive turf treatment on Town recreational fields.

Article 25 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make return of this Warrant by posting in three or more public places in said Town of Adams, true and attested copies thereof, seven days before the holding of said voting.

Given under our hands this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2023.

Christine D. Hoyt, Chairman

Howard Jay Rosenberg, Vice-Chairman

Richard Blanchard

John E. Duval

Joseph John Nowak, Jr.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN ADAMS, MASSACHUSETTS

Adams, Massachusetts

May <u>17</u>, 2023

I have served the foregoing warrant by posting in three places in the said Town of Adams true and attested copies thereof, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Thomas A. Satko

Constable of the Town of Adams

A True Copy, Attest:

Thomas A Satko

Constable of the Town of Adams