TOWN OF GRANBY CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

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January 12, 2023

Members Present:

Chairman Edward Ohannessian

Vice-Chairman Anthony McGovern

Commissioner Lynn Guelzow Commissioner Rebecca Brewer Commissioner Mark Lockwood Commissioner Benjamin Perron Commissioner Terri-Ann Hahn Commissioner Anthony Cappelli Commissioner Francis Brady

Others Present:

Erica P. Robertson, Town Manager

Scott A. Nolan, Town Clerk

Paul R. Willis, Republican Registrar of Voters

PURPOSE: PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE CITIZEN INPUT AND SOLICIT FEEDBACK ON THE GRANBY TOWN CHARTER FOR THE PURPOSES **OF REVISION**

Pursuant to the foregoing notice, Chairman Edward Ohannessian called the Charter Revision Commission Public Hearing to order on Thursday, January 12, 2023, at 6:15 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room of the Granby Town Hall, 15 North Granby Road, Granby, Connecticut to receive citizen input and solicit feedback on the Granby Town Charter for the purposes of revision.

Scott A. Nolan, Town Clerk read the call of the public hearing after which, Chairman Edward Ohannessian opened the floor for public comment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul R. Willis, Republican Registrar of Voters addressed members of the Charter Revision Commission regarding section 10-5(c) "Machine Voting" of the Granby Town Charter in which a recommendation from the Registrars of Voters will be forthcoming to address the language of that section due to a conflict with possible back-to-back voting events. Mr. Willis further explained that back-to-back voting events can be problematic as it can be challenging to staff the polling locations with volunteers when they are needed multiple days in a row. Mr. Willis also noted that this will be the case in 2028, 2032, and 2036 and that revising this section might make a lot of sense. Mr. Willis explained that both Registrars of Voters were working on drafting language that could be added to the Town Charter to help avoid back-to-back voting events.

There being no more public wishing to speak before the hearing, Chairman Edward Ohannessian declared the Public Hearing closed at 6:20 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted & attested,

Scott A. Nolan

Town Clerk

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