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March 11, 2022

Cathryn J. Kato, Town Clerk
Town of Wellesley
525 Washington Street
Wellesley, MA 02482

Re: Wellesley Special Town Meeting of October 25, 2021 -- Case # 10391
Warrant Article # 9 (Zoning)

Dear Ms. Kato:

Article 9 - We approve Article 9 from the October 25, 2021 Wellesley Special Town Meeting.¹

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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¹ On February 9, 2022, the Attorney General elected to proceed under the defect waiver provisions of Chapter 299 of the Acts of 2000 for Article 9. In a certification received March 11, 2022, the Town Clerk affirmed that the notice was posted and published in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 299, and that no claims were filed with the Office of the Town Clerk within 21 days of publication. For this reason, the Attorney General is authorized by Chapter 299 to waive (and does so waive) the defects.

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