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September 27, 2023

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Re: **Extension of 90-day review period of Article 16
Groveland Annual Town Meeting of April 24, 2023
Case # 10948**

TOWN OF GROVELAND
2023 SEP 29 PM 12: 01
TOWN CLERK
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Dear Attorney Costa:

Pursuant to the requirements of G.L. c. 40, § 32, the Attorney General and Town Counsel are authorized to extend the 90-day period provided for the Attorney General’s review of town by-laws for not more than an additional 90 days. This letter serves to satisfy the requirements of G.L. c. 40, § 32. In light of our need for time to further discuss the proposed by-law’s consistency with state law, we hereby jointly agree to extend the Attorney General’s review period of Article 16 for an additional 45 days. Our decision on Article 16 will now be due on **November 13, 2023**.

Please sign this letter to reflect your agreement and return the signed letter to us. We will then file the letter with the Town Clerk, with a copy to you. Thank you for your accommodation in this matter.

Very truly yours,

ANDREA JOY CAMPBELL
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September 29, 2023
Date

ARTICLE 16: To see if the Town shall accept the renumbering and revision of the various general bylaws of the Town from their original numbering or their numbering in the prior General Bylaws Compilation, as amended through May 23, 2022, to the numbering or codification, arrangement, sequence and captions and the comprehensive revisions to the text of the General Bylaws as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Groveland, dated 03/2023, and which is on file with the Town Clerk, said codification having been done under the direction of the Board of Selectmen and Town Attorney, and said Code being a compilation and comprehensive revision of the present general bylaws of the Town. All general bylaws of a general and permanent nature, as amended, heretofore in force and not included in the Code shall be repealed, except that such repeal shall not affect any suit or proceeding pending as the result of an existing law, and such repeal shall not apply to or affect any bylaw, order or article heretofore adopted accepting or adopting the provisions of any statute of the commonwealth.

Article submitted by the Town Administrator

(Requires a Majority Vote)

NOTE: *To recodify the General Bylaw. The Town has already done this for the Zoning Bylaw and Subdivision Rules and Regulations.*

BOARD OF SELECTMEN RECOMMEND: FAVORABLE ACTION

MOTION: That the Town accept and amend the renumbering and revision of the various general bylaws of the Town from their original numbering or their numbering in the prior General Bylaws Compilation, as amended through May 23, 2022, to the numbering or codification, arrangement, sequence and captions and the comprehensive revisions to the text of the General Bylaws as set forth in the Final Draft of the Code of the Town of Groveland, dated 03/2023, and which is on file with the Town Clerk and has been distributed at the Town Meeting all as set forth in Article 16 of the Warrant.

DATE AND ACTION TAKEN: April 24, 2023

Motion made: Kathleen Kastrinelis

Second: William O'Neil

Vote Majority for Favorable Action so declared the Moderator