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8 Conway Street  
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**Re: Deerfield Special Town Meeting of October 24, 2022 -- Case #10846  
Warrant Articles # 16 and 17 (General)**

Dear Ms. Sanderell:

**Articles 16 and 17** – We approve Articles 16 and 17 from the Deerfield October 24, 2022 Special Town Meeting.

**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 that 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 voted by Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

Very truly yours,

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