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Barbara J. Hancock, Town Clerk  
Town of Deerfield  
8 Conway Street  
Deerfield, MA 01373

**RE: Deerfield Annual Town Meeting of April 24, 2017 - Case # 8305  
Warrant Articles # 5, 28, 29 and 30 (General)**

Dear Ms. Hancock:

**Articles 5, 28, 29 and 30** - We approve Articles 5, 28, 29 and 30 from the April 24, 2017 Deerfield Annual 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 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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