

# TOWN OF BELMONT TOWN HALL, 455 CONCORD AVENUE BELMONT, MASSACHUSETTS 02478 TEL. (617) 993-2600 FAX (617) 993-2601

### OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRARS

On this date, March 21, 2023,

We hereby certify that Seventeen (17) signatures submitted today on the Citizen Petition to add an article to the Annual Town Meeting, exceeding the minimum number of signatures to have the Select Board place an article on the May 1, 2023 Annual Town Meeting Warrant. The title of the citizens' petition article is Sidewalk Safety - Amend General Bylaws: §60-800.D(2) and D(3) Public Ways, Sidewalks and Rights-Of-Way. Obstructions. The attachments contain the signatories and the language of the petition/warrant article as submitted before the warrant filing deadline.

At least three registrars' names must be signed or stamped below:

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Board of Registrars of Voters, Town of Belmont, Massachusetts

Exact Language of Town Meeting Article as Provided by Citizens' Petition:

See attached

# CITIZENS' PETITION FOR TOWN MEETING ARTICLE

Sidewalk Safety: amend general bylaws: \$60-800.D(2) and D(3)
Public Ways, Sideworks and rights-of-way. Obstructions
Title of Petition



We the undersigned registered voters of the Town of Belmont, Massachusetts, request that the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Belmont place an article on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant for

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Exact Wording to Appeal on Warrant

## SIDEWALK SAFETY: AMEND GENERAL BYLAWS: §60-800.D(2) and D(3) PUBLIC WAYS, SIDEWALKS AND RIGHTS-OF-WAY. OBSTRUCTIONS

To see if the Town will vote to amend the General Bylaws with a goal of calling specific attention to the problem of obstruction of sidewalks especially by the parking of vehicles on sidewalks that interfere with the safe use of sidewalks by pedestrians, persons using wheelchairs, persons using carriages to transport children, elderly persons, and students walking to school, by amending  $\S$  60-800.D(2) "Obstructions," by inserting the words "(including, without limitation, the parking of vehicles of any type)" after the words "man-made materials" and by inserting the following words at the beginning of  $\S$  60-800.D(3) "Fines for violations of subsections D(1) and D(2) shall be on the following schedule: first offense: written warning; second offense: \$50; third and successive offenses: \$100 each. The Town will communicate at least annually to the residents of the Town the requirements of this  $\S60$ -800.D, but failure to do so shall not affect its enforceability." so that it reads:

### § 60-800. Public ways, sidewalks and rights-of-way.

- D. Obstructions.
  - (1) No person shall permit a tree, branch thereof, hedge, bush or shrubbery growing on his/her land to extend over or overhang any street, sidewalk or highway so as to interfere with the free and full use of such street, sidewalk or highway.
  - (2) No person, other than an authorized agent of the Town, may place or cause to be placed or maintained any permanent or temporary structure or any natural or man-made materials (including, without limitation, the parking of vehicles of any type) on any public street, sidewalk or highway in such a manner as to obstruct or otherwise interfere with the free and full use of such public street, sidewalk or highway for the passage of vehicles or pedestrians, except upon written permit or authorization from the Select Board or its designee, which the Board or its designee may in its discretion issue subject to such terms and conditions, including a bond, as may be deemed necessary and appropriate to protect the public safety.
  - (3) Fines for violations of subsections D(1) and D(2) shall be on the following schedule: first offense: written warning; second offense: \$50; third and successive offenses: \$100 each. The Town will communicate at least annually to the residents of the Town the requirements of this §60-800.D, but failure to do so shall not affect its enforceability. In addition to other penalties applicable to violation of these bylaws, in the event the Town undertakes to remove any obstructions described in Subsection D(1) and (2), the Town may charge the landowner for the reasonable cost thereof.

and in any way act thereon.

# 5/1/2023 LOCAL TOWN MEETING List of Signatories for a Petition **TOWN OF BELMONT**

# CITIZEN PETITION: AMEND GENERAL BYLAW 60-800D(2 AND D(3)OBSTRUCTIONS

Voter ID	Name of Voter	Residential Address	Ward	Ward Precinct Party	Party
07AAS1104001		ABERCROMBIE, ANGUS JAMES BEN 79 WINN ST BELMONT, MA 02478-3158	0	8	۵
05ARL3166000	ABERCROMBIE, RACHEL E	79 WINN ST BELMONT, MA 02478-3158	0	<sub>∞</sub>	D
05BKE0472000	BOWEN, CATHERINE AC	67 BARTLETT AVE BELMONT, MA 02478-1803	0	4	Ω
10CML0256001	CROWLEY, MICHAEL FRANCIS	119 FARNHAM ST BELMONT, MA 02478-3172	0	∞	Ω
07BJR2584002	DEMETROPOULOS, JENNIFER M	259 CHANNING RD BELMONT, MA 02478-3108	0	<sub>∞</sub>	D
03HAE1675002	HUANG, AMBROSE J	107 WINN ST BELMONT, MA 02478-3158	0	<sub>∞</sub>	⊃
12VPA1877003	KAPUR, PATRICIA V	77 DEAN ST BELMONT, MA 02478	0	<sub>∞</sub>	D
07KPL0478000	KAPUR, PAUL K	77 DEAN ST BELMONT, MA 02478	0	<sub>∞</sub>	œ
07WJB1579002	07WJB1579002 KNOWLES, JACOB WANGH	67 BARTLETT AVE BELMONT, MA 02478-1803	0	4	Ω
09LNE1081000	09LNE1081000 LEINO, NATALIE MACLEAN	27 SHERMAN ST BELMONT, MA 02478-3130	0	∞	Ω
07LRL0982003	07LRL0982003 LEINO, RUSSELL PHILIP	27 SHERMAN ST BELMONT, MA 02478-3130	0	<sub>∞</sub>	Ω
10RAA0176003	RETTIG, AMANDA	126 ALEXANDER AVE BELMONT, MA 02478	0	∞	Ω
10RPL2665000	RICKTER, PAUL C	119 CROSS ST BELMONT, MA 02478	0	∞	Ω
05REA2279000	ROBERTS, ERIKA J	15 SHERMAN ST BELMONT, MA 02478-3130	0	<sub>∞</sub>	$\supset$
03RPL2470003	ROBERTS, PAUL F	54 CROSS ST BELMONT, MA 02478-3171	0	∞	۵
04SEN1560001	SUGARMAN, ELLEN J	119 CROSS ST BELMONT, MA 02478	0	∞	⊃
08YGI0374000	YOON-HUANG, GI H	107 WINN ST BELMONT, MA 02478-3158	0	∞	Ω

\*\*\*End of Report\*\*\*

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