



Town of Middleton

Office of the Town Clerk
Memorial Hall
Middleton, MA 01949

July 12, 2013

CERTIFICATE OF A VOTE

This is to certify that at a duly called and posted Annual Town Meeting convened on May 14, 2013, at which more than a quorum of qualified voters was present, the Town of Middleton took the following action on Article 30:

Article 30: On petition of the Board of Selectmen and Conservation Commission to see if the Town will vote to request that the Town's State Senator and State Representatives file a bill to transfer approximately 111 acres of various wetland and open space land parcels along the Ipswich River, now under the care and custody of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (commonly known as DCAMM) to be transferred to the Town of Middleton Conservation Commission, Essex County Greenbelt Association or any other similar organization meeting the objective of preserving said parcels for the long term protection and enjoyment for the residents of the Town, and take any related action thereto.

Purpose: Said land parcels were previously acquired by Essex County for open space and conservation purposes over several decades prior to the dissolution of the County in 1996. Upon passage of the bill, the care and control of said properties shall be transferred to the Conservation Commission.

Master Plan Committee Recommendation: The MPC recommends this Article. DCAM is the state agency in charge of developing state facilities. Environmentally sensitive parcels should be protected and/or be in the care, custody and control of an agency whose mission is environmental protection.

The Finance Committee deferred to the Planning Board. The Planning Board recommended adoption of the article, and their motion was seconded from the floor. The Master Plan Committee also recommend Article 30 and it was adopted on a unanimous voice vote.

Attest, a True Copy,

Sarah B. George
Town Clerk