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TO: ALL ORGANIZATIONS SEEKING A SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

The Town of Lyndon Selectboard approved the following policy at their 08/05/19 meeting:

It was approved by the voters at Town Meeting on March 5, 2019 to vote all Special Appropriations by Australian ballot. **Therefore, in order to be on the Australian ballot for Town Meeting 2020, all organizations seeking a Special Appropriation from the Town of Lyndon must submit a petition in accordance with 17 V.S.A. §2642 which requires “the petition language on each page on which signatures are collected and shall include the printed name, signature, and street address of each voter who signed the petition”. Petitions are due by 4:30 PM on Thursday, January 16, 2020 and requires 175 registered voter signatures.**

The Selectboard wanted to give advance notice so that all organizations would have ample time to get the petitions filled. Such petition must be signed by at least five percent of the voters of the town and filed with the Town Clerk not less than 47 days before the day of the annual meeting. The petition should be in substantially the following form:

Petition of Legal Voters of the Town of Lyndon

We, the undersigned legal voters of the Town of Lyndon, hereby petition the Selectboard to add the following article to the warning for the annual town meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2020:

Shall the Town appropriate \$*[insert amount of request]* to *[insert name of social service agency]*, for *[insert brief description of the purpose of the proposed appropriation]* in accordance with 24 V.S.A. § 2691?

Print Name

Street Address

Signature

Pursuant to 17 V.S.A. § 2642(a)(3)(C), a petition must contain the petition language on every page on which signatures are collected and must contain the printed name, signature, and street address of each voter who signs the petition. Enclosed is a blank sample form.

The following requirements also apply to all organizations each year:

1. You must send a written request to the Selectboard **no later than December 31, 2019**. Requests may be sent to the address listed above.
2. You must submit a **one-page** report about your organization suitable for publication in the Town Report **no later than December 31, 2019**. Please include the name of the individual who will be representing your organization at Town Meeting.

The 2020 Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2020 at the Lyndon Town School beginning at 9:00 AM.

All organizations requesting a Special Appropriation from the Town of Lyndon are required to have a representative attend Town Meeting.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dawn R. Dwyer".

Dawn R. Dwyer
Town Clerk and Treasurer