For Immediate Release April 28, 2021

Contact: Carol A. Harris Templeton Town Clerk 978-894-2758

We have taken great care to plan and run the safest possible Annual Town Election on May 17, 2021. The following measures have been established to ensure the safety of our election workers and the voting public:

- Voting will still be held in the Middle School Gymnasium
- Parking will still be in the back-parking lot
- Voters will still enter through the cafeteria door
- Health screening for election workers health & temperature check
- PPE supplied to poll workers to include face masks and gloves
- C.E.R.T. staff will wear masks and gloves
- Social distancing markings and barriers installed to guide voters
- Election workers will be trained in hygiene, sanitation and social distancing procedures
- Hand Sanitizer provided upon entrance and exit
- Facilities staff will routinely sanitize polling locations and booths
- Plexi-glass barriers will be placed on tables to separate poll workers and voters
- Voting booths will be at least 6 feet apart & cleaned constantly by C.E.R.T. staff
- Each voter will receive a sanitized voting marker
- Voters are strongly urged to wear cloth face coverings to the polling place
- Voters who refuse to wear face covering will be directed to wait to cast their ballot until their polling precinct is clear of all other voters
- Voters will be exiting through Guidance office hall to the back-parking lot

If you prefer to Vote Early by Mail you may do so by submitting <u>an application</u> to the Town Clerk's office. By mail: P.O. Box 620, E. Templeton, MA 01438, by e-mail @ <u>charris@templetonma.gov</u> or placed in the Town Hall Drop Box.

You can help the electoral process by observing the social distancing protocol which will be enforced at polling places. Voters will be asked to maintain 6 feet of distance and the number of voters permitted inside the polling places will be limited. We ask for your patience and courtesy. Please be prepared to wait outside when polls are busy.

Please continue to wear a mask and be respectful, courteous and caring for your fellow voters and election workers. If you do plan to VOTE on Monday, May 17th we will look forward to safely and courteously supporting your right to vote. Have a safe day!