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DATE: NOVEMBER 18, 2019

TO: TOWN OF TEMPLETON CITIZENS

FROM: TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

RE: ZONING BY-LAW

The Attorney General has made her decision on Article 14 of the Annual Town Meeting which was held May 15, 2019. It is as follows:

Article 14 - We approve Article 14, and the related map amendment, from the May 15, 2019 Templeton Annual Town Meeting. Article 14 amends the Town's Zoning Map by rezoning several parcels of land on Baldwinville Road from the Residential Agricultural-One district (RA-1) to the Commercial-Industrial-A district (C-I-A).² We will return the approved map to you by regular mail.

¹ In a decision issued October 8, 2019, we approved Article 13 and elected to proceed under the defect waiver provisions of Chapter 299 of the Acts of 2000 for Article 14. In a certification received November 5, 2019, the Town Clerk affirmed that the notice was posted and published in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 299, and that no claims were filed with the Office of the Town Clerk within 21 days of publication. For this reason, the Attorney General is authorized by Chapter 299 to waive (and does so waive) the defect.

² During the course of our review of Article 14, we received an email from a resident of Templeton expressing concerns including that a Planning Board member owns a parcel of land subject to the rezoning. In addition, the resident informed us that he had filed a complaint with the Massachusetts State Ethics Commission regarding his concerns. Resolution of this issue depends on a factual investigation that is outside the purview of the Attorney General's by-law review.

I have posted copies in each precinct; namely, at the Post Office in Templeton, the Post Office in E. Templeton, the Post Office in Baldwinville and at the Town Office Building at 160 Patriots Road in E. Templeton and on the Town's website @ www.templetonma.gov
Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, sec. 32.

Sincerely,

Carol A. Harris, Templeton Town Clerk