

TOWN OF WESTWOOD

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

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CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

Town of Westwood, MASSACHUSETTS

SELECT BOARD

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WESTWOOD, MA HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN 2023 UPDATE, FEBRUARY 2023

WHEREAS the Town of Westwood recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the Town of Westwood; and

WHEREAS the Town of Westwood has participated in the preparation of a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as the *Westwood, MA Hazard Mitigation Plan 2023 Update, February* 2023 in accordance with federal laws, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended; the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended; and the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Westwood, MA Hazard Mitigation Plan 2023 Update, February 2023 identifies mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property in Westwood from the impacts of future hazards and disasters; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Westwood established a Committee to update to oversee the Westwood, MA Hazard Mitigation Plan 2023 Update, February 2023; and

WHEREAS, a remote workshop was held on November 3, 2022, for interested members of the public to participate in the development of the Westwood, MA Hazard Mitigation Plan 2023 Update, February 2023; and

WHEREAS, presentations of the *Westwood, MA Hazard Mitigation Plan 2023 Update, February 2023* were made to the Westwood Conservation Commission on November 9, 2022, and to the Westwood Planning Board on November 15, 2022, at duly-noticed remote public meetings; and

WHEREAS, a duly-noticed remote public meeting was held by the Select Board on October 23, 2023, for the public and municipality to review the Westwood, MA Hazard Mitigation Plan 2023 Update, February 2023 prior to consideration of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, adoption by the Select board demonstrates the commitment of relevant departments and/or agencies to execute their responsibilities outlined in the Plan,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of Westwood Select Board formally approves and adopts the Westwood, MA Hazard Mitigation Plan 2023 Update, February 2023, in accordance with M.G.L. c. 40. While content related to the Town of Westwood may require revisions to meet the plan approval requirements, changes occurring after adoption will not require the Town to re-adopt any further iterations of the plan.

Subsequent plan updates following the approval period for this plan will require separate adoption resolutions.

Robert R. Gotti, Select Board Clerk
(Print Name and Title)

ATTEST: By:

Dorothy A. Powers, Town Clerk
(Print Name and Title)

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