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#### **MEMORANDUM**

DATE:

May 7, 2020

TO:

**Board Members** 

SUBJECT: Appointment to the Disability Commission

This memo is to request the Board's approval of my appointment of Paul Parravano, Arlington, MA, to the Disability Commission, with a term expiration date of 01/31/2023.

Town Manager

# Paul Parravano Massachusetts Institute of Technology Co-Director, Government and Community Relations

Paul Parravano has been part of the MIT community since 1991. His role in the Office of Government and Community Relations involves fostering communication and understanding between the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and all levels of government, major constituency groups, and MIT's surrounding community. He serves as a liaison and resource for people within MIT who may have a need to work with external parties and those in the community who have a similar need to interact with the Institute. Mr. Parravano serves as MIT's campus federal relations officer, accompanying MIT's President on regular visits to Washington and hosting campus visits by elected officials and other dignitaries.

In Cambridge, Paul works to strengthen MIT's involvement in science education for K-12 teachers and students through a growing list of partnerships, especially with the Cambridge Public Schools. In all of his work and travel, both in Washington and locally, Paul's most critical task is to represent the Institute in a personal way as a resource for knowledge, neighborly support, and the advancement of MIT's mission of scientific education and research.

Prior to his employment at MIT, Paul worked as a staff attorney in a civil rights consulting firm in the Boston area, providing advice and consultation for corporations on the implementation of civil rights regulations. He received his undergraduate degree from Harvard University and a law degree from Northeastern University School of Law. Paul likes to highlight his strong affinity for baseball, barbecue, and water sports. His greatest delight flows from his family, which includes two absolutely splendid daughters, Emily and Eleanora, and his wife Martha.

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### TOWN OF ARLINGTON MASSACHUSETTS 02476-4908

May 7, 2020

Paul Parravano Arlington, MA 02476 via email: paulp@mit.edu

Re: Appointment: Disability Commission

Dear Mr. Parrayano:

As a matter of the standard appointment procedure, the Select Board requests that you attend a virtual meeting of the Select Board conducted by remote participation, on Monday, May 18th at 7:15 p.m.

It is a requirement of the Select Board that you join this virtual meeting. This will give the Board an opportunity to meet and discuss matters with you about the area of activity in which you will be involved.

Information which includes the link to the Zoom meeting will be available at the bottom of the Select Board Agenda as well as on the Town Calendar when the meeting is posted Thursday, May 14th by 7:00 p.m.

Please contact this office by e-mail, freidy@town.arlingtron.ma.us, if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Very truly yours, SELECT BOARD

Marie A. Krepelka Board Administrator

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