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## ELECTION MODERNIZATION COMMITTEE TOWN OF ARLINGTON

To: Select Board

From: Election Modernization Committee

Date: January 17, 2020

Re: Submission for Select Board Meeting Agenda - January 27, 2020

Upon the recommendation of Town Counsel, Douglas Heim, the Election Modernization Committee hereby presents the Select Board with the following Warrant Articles for consideration at the 2020 Annual Town Meeting. We ask that the Select Board place them on the Warrant with the following reference: "Inserted by the Select Board at the request of the Election Modernization Committee".

## ARTICLE: VOTE/ELECTION MODERNIZATION COMMITTEE

To see if the Town will vote to extend the life of the Election Modernization Committee, change its structure, objectives, or membership, or take any action related thereto.

## ARTICLE: HOME RULE LEGISLATION/CONSOLIDATION OF TOWN MEETING MEMBER ELECTIONS

To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Select Board to file Home Rule Legislation to reform the nomination and election process for Town Meeting seats to permit the consolidation of elections of Town Meeting Members when there are vacant seats into a single election per precinct, such that the highest vote-getters win the longest available terms, to promulgate regulations to effectuate the same, or take any action related thereto.

## ARTICLE: HOME RULE LEGISLATION/RANKED CHOICE VOTING

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To see if the Town will vote to authorize and request the Select Board to file Home Rule Legislation to elect Town offices by Ranked Choice Voting, or take any action related thereto.

Thank You,

James M. O'Conor

Chair, Election Modernization Committee