WARRANT

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF BROOKLINE
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Norfolk, ss

To Any Constable of the Town of Brookline

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to NOTIFY and WARN the Inhabitants of the TOWN OF BROOKLINE, qualified to vote at elections to meet at the High School Auditorium in said Brookline on TUESDAY, the TWENTY-THIRD day of MAY, 2017 at 8:00 o'clock in the evening for the Special Town Meeting at which time and place the following article is to be acted upon and determined by the representative town meeting:

ARTICLE 1
Resolution in Support of Congressional Investigation regarding

Impeachment of President Donald J. Trump

WHEREAS, the Foreign Emoluments Clause of the United States Constitution provides that "no Person holding any Office of Profit or Trust under the United States, shall, without the Consent of the Congress, accept of any present, Emolument, Office, or Title, of any kind whatever, from any King, Prince, or foreign State," thereby prohibiting conflicts of interest that could influence the conduct of the foreign affairs of the United States,

WHEREAS, the Domestic Emoluments Clause of the United States Constitution provides that, besides the fixed salary for his four-year term, the President "shall not receive within that Period any other Emolument from the United States, or any of them," thereby prohibiting conflicts of interest that could influence the conduct of the domestic affairs of the United States,

WHEREAS, the term "emoluments" includes a broad range of financial benefits, including but not limited to monetary payments, purchase of goods and services even for fair market value, subsidies, tax breaks, extensions of credit, and favorable regulatory treatment,

WHEREAS, Donald J. Trump, the President of the United States, owns various business interests and receives various streams of income from all over the world,

WHEREAS, many of these businesses receive, and streams of income include, emoluments from foreign governments, states of the United States, or the United States itself,

WHEREAS, leading constitutional scholars and government ethics experts warned Donald J. Trump shortly after the November 2016 election that, unless he fully divested his businesses and invested the money in conflict-free assets or a blind trust, he would violate the Constitution from the moment he took office,

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2017, nine days before his inauguration, Donald J. Trump announced a plan that would, if carried out, remove him from day-to- day operations of his businesses, but not eliminate any of the ongoing flow of emoluments from foreign governments, state governments, or the United States government,

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2017, Donald J. Trump took the oath of office and became President of the United States,

WHEREAS, from the moment he took office, President Trump was in violation of the Foreign Emoluments Clause and the Domestic Emoluments Clause of the United States Constitution,

WHEREAS, these violations undermine the integrity of the Presidency, corruptly advance the personal wealth of the President, and violate the public trust,

WHEREAS, our democracy is premised on the bedrock principle that no one is above the law, not even the President of the United States,

NOW, THEREFORE, THE Town of Brookline RESOLVES to call upon the United States House of Representatives to support a resolution authorizing and directing the House Committee on the Judiciary to investigate whether sufficient grounds exist for the impeachment of Donald J. Trump, President of the United States, including but not limited to the violations listed herein; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted officially to the Member of the United States House of Representatives that represents the city, namely, the Honorable Joseph Kennedy III; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted officially to certain other cities and communities in this state, namely, Boston, Newton, Wellesley, and Needham.

or act on anything relative hereto.

AND YOU ARE DIRECTED TO SERVE THIS WARRANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE BY-LAWS OF THE TOWN OF BROOKLINE.

HEREOF FAIL NOT, and make due return of this WARRANT, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen at least FOURTEEN DAYS before the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands and the seal of the TOWN of Brookline, Massachusetts, this 18th day of April, 2017.

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN