WARRANT

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

Cumberland, ss.

State of Maine

To RuthAnn Labrecque, a resident of the Town of Standish, County of Cumberland, State of Maine.

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Standish, in the County of Cumberland, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Standish Municipal Building in Standish, on <u>SATURDAY</u>, <u>JUNE 17</u>, 2023 at 9:00 a.m., to act on the following Articles, namely:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

<u>Art. 2</u>. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following estimated General Fund REVENUES for the operation of the Town for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

Taxes (Non-property)	\$3	2,226,000
Intergovernmental		2,180,707
Licenses & Permits	\$	426,775
Charges for Services	\$	820,276
Recreation	\$	20,000
Rich Memorial Beach	\$	28,000
Penalties & Interest	\$	50,000
Other Revenue	\$	52,600
Use of Surplus/Other Funding Sources	\$	101,161
ARPA Funding	\$	441,458
Recreation Special Revenue Fund	\$	521,000

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund ASSESSING expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 321,390

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund CODE ENFORCEMENT expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 98.159

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund GENERAL ADMINISTRATION expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 468,355

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund CABLE TELEVISION expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 141,298

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund TOWN COUNCIL expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 71.817

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund TOWN CLERK expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 356,861

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund FINANCE expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 334,154

<u>Art. 10</u>. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund PLANNING expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 241,866

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund APPEALS BOARD expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 987

<u>Art. 12</u>. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund BUILDING MAINTENANCE expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 298,165

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund PUBLIC SAFETY expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 2,054,609

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund LAW ENFORCEMENT expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 1,090,814

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund GENERAL ASSISTANCE expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 84,050

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund PUBLIC WORKS expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 1,755,430

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund SOLID WASTE expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$839,593

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund RECREATION expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 312.395

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund RICH MEMORIAL BEACH expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 46,769

<u>Art. 20</u>. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund DONATIONS expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 70,800

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund CAPITAL OUTLAY expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 118,000

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund EMPLOYEE BENEFITS expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 1,399,968

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund INSURANCE expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 107,533

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate taxes for the following General Fund DEBT SERVICE expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 2,117,184

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following General Fund TRANSFERS OUT expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 2,500

Explanatory note: This is to fund the annual Public Safety fair. Funds are transferred out to the special revenue fund where this event is tracked consistent with prior practice.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from bond proceeds the following Capital Projects Fund expenditures for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

\$ 3,738,000

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$700,000 from UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE ("Surplus") of the Town for the purpose of reducing the property tax commitment in the 2024 fiscal year as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$70,679 from UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE ("Surplus") to cover overdrafts in the following Town accounts for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 as

identified by the FY 2022 Audit, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee:

General Assistance \$ 13,324 Solid Waste \$ 28,011 Employee Benefits \$ 29,344

Explanatory note: The General Assistance account was overdrawn in the amount of \$13,324 due to a cold winter. The Town is required to pay any general assistance by law.

The Solid Waste account was overdrawn in the amount of \$28,011 due to contractual services and fuel surcharge being added. Contractual services includes the hauling off of containers and trailers to proper disposal facilities.

The Employee Benefits account was overdrawn in the amount of \$29,344. This was due to workers' compensation and unemployment being underbudgeted. The budget is put together before the Town knows the full cost of this coverage so an estimate must be made. The Town also experienced the retirement of a long-time employee who was legally entitled to a vacation time pay out.

- Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the TIF Fund account and to authorize the Town Council to expend TIF funds, in an amount not to exceed \$276,161, comprised of \$33,161 to fund a portion of the Director of Planning's salary; \$40,000 for Village Improvements; \$3,000 for Efficiency Maine LED lights rebate; and the remaining \$200,000 to be used at the Municipal Officers' discretion, all in accordance with the TIF District Development Program documents, as recommended by the Municipal Officers and the Budget Committee.
- <u>Art. 30</u>. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to accept and appropriate, on behalf of the Town, federal, State and private funds received in the form of grants or gifts during the period from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers.
- Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the impact fee reserve accounts and authorize the Town Council to expend such sums of money as it deems necessary from the impact fee reserve accounts for their designated purposes during the period from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024, as recommended by the Municipal Officers.
- Art. 32. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to transfer any unexpended, but previously appropriated funds in the operating budget at the end of the fiscal year, to non-lapsing, restricted fund balance reserve funds, so that the monies could be expended in future years for their original, intended purpose, as recommended by the Municipal Officers.
- Art. 33. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Council to carry forward appropriated but unexpended funds at the end of FY 2023, provided that the funds remain in

their respective accounts and are used for the same purpose as originally appropriated, as recommended by the Municipal Officers.

<u>Art 34</u>. To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit to \$5,285,720 established for the Town of Standish by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than the current property tax levy limit.

[If necessary to be voted on, State law requires that Article 34 be voted on by paper ballot.]

Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to fix the date when property taxes become due and payable, with the first payment being due and payable on November 15, 2023 and the second payment being due and payable on May 15, 2024; and to instruct the Tax Collector to charge interest at 8% per annum on all taxes unpaid after said date(s) and to pay interest on overpayments at 4% per annum; provided, however, for any overpayments of less than \$50, no interest shall be paid thereon and the amount shall be credited to the next fiscal year's taxes rather being re-paid to the taxpayer.

The Registrar of Voters will hold office hours while the meeting is in session to correct an error or change a name or address on the voting list; to accept the registration of any person eligible to vote; and to accept new enrollments.

A person who is not registered may not vote at the annual town meeting.

Given under our hands this 6th day of June, 2023

Sarah Gaba, Chair

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Benjamin Macri

Brandon Watson

Greg LeClarc, Vice-Chair

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Municipal Officers of Standish, Maine

OFFICER'S RETURN

Cumberland, ss

State of Maine

I certify that I have notified the voters of Standish, Maine of the time and place of the Annual Town Meeting which will be held on June 17, 2023 by posting an attested copy of the notice of meeting at following places:

Standish Municipal Building
Standish Post Office
Steep Falls Post Office

On June ______, 2023 (date of posting) which is at least 7 days prior to the Annual Town Meeting.

Signature

Bate: 61817

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