

WARRANT ARTICLE 20

PROPOSED NEW BROOKLINE BY-LAW ON REPRODUCTIVE & GENDER HEALTH AND EQUITY (STONE, TMM 3, ET. AL)

SCHOOL COMMITTEE STATEMENT

On April 27, 2023, the School Committee voted unanimously (6-0-0) to recommend passage of WA20. Voting in favor were Mr. Pearlman (Chair), Dr. Liu (Vice Chair), Ms. Charlupski, Dr. Ehrenberg, Ms. Federspiel and Ms. Nobrega. Further, the School Policy Review Subcommittee, at their March 31, 2023 meeting, voted unanimously to recommend passage of WA20. Voting in favor were Mr. Pearlman and Ms. Frias.

The School Committee supports this new by-law as part of the Town of Brookline's commitment to reproductive and gender health and equity for all residents. Massachusetts has some of the strongest reproductive health access laws in the nation, but enforcement of those laws relies upon the informed cooperation of those on the municipal level. As integral members of the Brookline community, we strongly affirm our commitment to the health and safety of all residents, including students, teachers and staff in the Public Schools of Brookline, through the passage of Warrant Article 20.