



# Town of Lexington

## Special Town Meeting 2020-2

### **Article 4: Climate Change Resolution –Citizen Article**

This proposed article requests Town Meeting to approve a climate emergency resolution that encourages the Town to commit to a town-wide climate emergency mobilization effort with the goal of ending town-wide greenhouse gas emissions no later than 2035.

This article requests that the Town acknowledge that climate change is harming our health, the air we breathe, the water we drink, our quality of life, our food production, the animals of this world, and the ecosystems on which we all depend, and that the Town has taken this threat seriously, actively looking for ways to mitigate and adapt to the impacts of climate change and embracing strategies that would transform our current practices and promote greater awareness of sustainability.

Moreover, this resolution further supports Lexington's sustainability efforts and underscores our commitment to becoming a greener and more resilient community and calls on the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the United States of America to provide appropriate financial and regulatory assistance needed to help the Town in achieving these goals.

The Select Board unanimously supports passage of this article.