NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF EGREMONT PLANNING BOARD

The Egremont Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday April 5, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Meeting Room at 171 Egremont Plain Road, Egremont, MA, relative to a proposed Zoning Bylaw Amendment to add Section 4.3.7, "Temporary Moratorium on Marijuana Retail Sale." On November 8, 2016, the voters of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts approved a Marijuana Legalization Initiative (Question 4) law regarding the recreational use of marijuana. Currently non-medical marijuana is not addressed in the Zoning Bylaw. The regulation of recreational marijuana raises legal, planning and public safety issues, and the Town needs time to study and consider forthcoming Massachusetts regulations, to assess their impact on local zoning, and to propose potential amendments to the Zoning Bylaw. The moratorium shall be in effect through January 2019, or six months after the effective date of the Cannabis Control Commission regulations, whichever is later. The proposed Bylaw Amendment may be viewed at the Egremont Town Clerk's office, Monday-Thursday, 1-3 pm, and at egremont-ma.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

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