



Town of Hopkinton

Office of Select Board

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Senate Special Committee on Redistricting
Via email

Dear Special Committee Members,

This letter is to officially inform you that at the Town of Hopkinton Annual Town Meeting drive-through voting on May 1, 2021, voters approved the following resolution by a 408-58 vote:

“Because redistricting has often been used to gerrymander (unfairly draw partisan districts based on partisan considerations), by petition of 25 or more eligible voters of the Town of Hopkinton to see if the Town will vote to urge that the New Hampshire General Court, which is obligated to redraw the maps of political districts within the state following the federal census, will ensure fair and effective representation of New Hampshire voter without gerrymandering.

Additionally, these voters ask the Town of Hopkinton to urge the NH General Court to carry out the redistricting in a fair and transparent way through public meetings, not to favor a particular political party, to include communities of interest, and to minimize multi-seat districts.

Furthermore, as the New Hampshire State Constitution, Part 2, Article 11 allows towns of sufficient population to have their own state representatives, not shared with other towns, for the town of Hopkinton to petition the NH General Court for its own exclusive seats(s) in the NH House of Representatives, ensuring that State Representatives properly represent the town’s interests.

The record of the vote approving this article shall be transmitted by written notice from the Select Board to Hopkinton’s state legislators, informing them of the requests from their constituents within 30 days of the vote.”

This letter was initially sent to the House Special Committee on Redistricting in May.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Respectfully,
On behalf of the Hopkinton Select Board

Neal A. Cass

Neal A. Cass, Town Administrator