

**LANCASTER TOWN MODERATOR
DECLARATION OF RECESS AND CONTINUANCE
OF
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

This Declaration of Recess and Continuance of the Lancaster Annual Town Meeting is issued pursuant to the authority vested in the Town Moderator by the provisions of G.L. c. 39, §10A. The Annual Town Meeting is currently scheduled and posted to be held at the Mary Rowlandson Elementary School, 103 Hollywood Drive, on Monday, June 22, 2020. However, based upon the continuing public health and safety risks posed by the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the Commonwealth and our community, I hereby provide notice to the Town of Lancaster that I have determined it is in the public's interest to recess and continue the Annual Town Meeting from its currently posted location to the **Bolton Fairgrounds located at 318 Seven Bridge Road (Route 117) on Monday, June 22, 2020 at 5:30 PM.**

Based upon the orders and guidance issued by the Governor and the Commonwealth's Department of Public Health, among others, restricting large gatherings and various public functions, and the declaration of a State of Emergency in the Commonwealth, I consulted with public safety officials, the Board of Health, and members of the Board of Selectmen and reviewed guidance from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in determining that this change in location best addresses the public health and safety concerns for our community. A significant consideration in this decision includes the important role of Town Meeting as the legislative body of the Town, and my obligation to ensure that all who wish to participate are able, particularly vulnerable members of our community.


Town Moderator

June 15, 2020