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**MINUTES OF THE  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 2016  
NORTH HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL  
7:00 P.M.**

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At approximately 7:05 p.m., the Town Clerk, J. Stacey Yarbrough, called the meeting to order. After a brief introduction, the Town Clerk explained to those present the first necessity of the Special Town Meeting, and that was for the election of a meeting Moderator, and the requirements of the same.

The Town Clerk opened the nomination process to the floor. After a nomination for Mr. John Lambert, to serve as meeting moderator, and after a second upon said nomination, and with no further nominations, the question was called and a vote was taken, resulting in Mr. John Lambert unanimously elected, by voice vote, as meeting Moderator.

The meeting Moderator took to the front of the conference room counter, thanked those present, and asked the Town Clerk to read the call of the meeting.

The Town Clerk read the call of the meeting: The legal voters and those duly qualified to vote in the Town Meeting of the Town of North Haven were warned of this Special Town Meeting of the Town of North Haven to be held tonight in my office and by way of publication in a local town newspaper publication. Therefore, having received appropriate written notice and warning of the Town as aforementioned, I hereby convene this Special Town Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote at town meetings for the purpose of acting upon and/or discussing the following items:

1. To consider and vote upon whether to adopt amendments to the Soldiers' Memorial Ordinance at Chapter 67 of the Ordinances of the Town of North Haven to amend Section 67-1 to formally assume responsibility for the maintenance and preservation of all the memorials and monuments on the Town Green and add Section 67-2 to establish certain eligibility criteria for future memorials and monuments.
2. To consider and vote upon whether to adopt an amendment to the Taxation Ordinance at Chapter 184 of the Ordinances of the Town of North Haven to add Article X establishing an Ordinance Concerning Property Tax Freeze Relief for Certain Elderly Homeowners to improve the quality of life of the Town's eligible senior residents and encourage their

continued residence and property ownership.

A copy of the proposed amendments to Chapter 67 and Chapter 184 of the Ordinances of the Town of North Haven thereof are on file and available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk.

The moderator then advised the members of the Special Town Meeting that no other business would be conducted during the course of the nights' proceedings, and then requested that the Town Clerk to read the first, and only, item on the agenda.

The Town Clerk then read the first (1<sup>st</sup>) item on the agenda for the evening:

**RESOLVED:** That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, amendments to the Soldiers' Memorial Ordinance at Chapter 67 of the Ordinances of the Town of North Haven are hereby approved and adopted to amend Section 67-1 to formally assume responsibility for the maintenance and preservation of all the memorials and monuments on the Town Green and add Section 67-2 to establish certain eligibility criteria for future memorials and monuments. The amended Chapter 67 shall be published in a newspaper having a circulation in the Town of North Haven and shall be effective fifteen (15) days after publication.

The Town Clerk requested, and was provided, a second upon the resolution.

The Moderator opened the discussion period for item number one of the night's agenda:

- Town Attorney, Jennifer Coppola, Roger Salaman, Mary White, Dan Riccio, and Ray Fowler, as well as a few other members of the meeting provided comment and/or questions as relate to the pending resolution.

After the discussion time period was completed, the Moderator put the resolution to a vote.

The vote for agenda item number one passed by unanimous voice vote.

The Town Clerk then read the second (2nd) item on the agenda for the evening:

**RESOLVED:** That in accordance with the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen, an amendment to the Taxation Ordinance at Chapter 184 of the Ordinances of the Town of North Haven is hereby approved and adopted to add Article X establishing an

Ordinance Concerning Property Tax Freeze Relief for Certain Elderly Homeowners to improve the quality of life of the Town's eligible senior residents and encourage their continued residence and property ownership. Article X of Chapter 184 shall be published in a newspaper having a circulation in the Town of North Haven and shall be effective fifteen (15) days after publication.

The Town Clerk requested, and was provided, a second upon the resolution.

The Moderator opened the discussion period for item number one of the night's agenda:

- Town Attorney, Jennifer Coppola, Second Selectman Timothy Doheny, Third Selectwoman Sally Buemi, Sherman Katz, Mary White, Joan Mazurek, as well as a few other members of the meeting provided comment and/or questions as relate to the pending resolution.

After the discussion time period was completed, the Moderator put the resolution to a vote.

The vote for agenda item number one passed by way of hand vote of the members of the audience, and voice vote by the Moderator and the Town Clerk, resulting in passage of the ordinance by a vote of 32-30.

The Moderator noted that as there was no further business to be conducted at the Special Town meeting, the meeting would be adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:23 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED, THIS 29th  
DAY OF MARCH 2016



**J. STACEY YARBROUGH**  
*TOWN CLERK & REGISTRAR OF VITAL RECORDS/TAX  
COLLECTOR  
TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN*