SENATE No. 2327

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September 4, 2019

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives,

Pursuant to the provisions of Article II, Section 8, Paragraph 1, Clause (2) of the Amendments to the Constitution, as appearing in Article LXXXIX of said Amendments, I am filing for your consideration the attached legislation entitled "An Act Validating Actions Taken in connection with an Annual Town Election in the Town of Westhampton."

I am filing this special legislation at the request of the Westhampton Selectboard.

The legislation ratifies all acts, proceedings, and votes taken by the Town at its annual Town Meeting held on May 11, 2019 and its subsequent annual Town Election on June 1, 2019. The ratification serves to address in advance any question that might arise as a result of certain, minor typographical and ministerial errors in the warrant that was posted in advance of the Town Meeting and on the election ballot.

I urge your prompt consideration of this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles D. Baker, *Governor*

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Senate, September 4, 2019 -- Message from His Excellency the Governor (under Section 8 of Article LXXXIX of the Amendments to the Constitution) recommending legislation validating actions taken in connection with an annual town election in the town of Westhampton.

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In the One Hundred and Ninety-First General Court (2019-2020)

An Act validating actions taken in connection with an annual town election in the town of Westhampton.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- SECTION 1. Notwithstanding section 10 of chapter 39, section 64 of chapter 54, or
- 2 section 21C of chapter 59 of the General Laws, or of any other general or special law or bylaw to
- 3 the contrary, all acts, proceedings and votes taken by the town of Westhampton at its May 11,
- 4 2019 annual town meeting and June 1, 2019 annual town election, and all actions taken pursuant
- 5 thereto, are hereby ratified, validated and confirmed in all respects.
- 6 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.