

HOUSE No. 4224

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Aaron L. Saunders and Joanne M. Comerford

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the adoption of the accompanying bill:

An Act validating the New Salem annual town election.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	DATE ADDED:
<i>Aaron L. Saunders</i>	<i>7th Hampden</i>	<i>6/6/2025</i>
<i>Joanne M. Comerford</i>	<i>Hampshire, Franklin and Worcester</i>	<i>6/6/2025</i>

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By Representative Saunders of Belchertown and Senator Comerford, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4224) of Aaron L. Saunders and Joanne M. Comerford (by vote of the town) relative to validating the results of the annual town election in the town of New Salem held on May 5, 2025. Election Laws. [Local Approval Received.]

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**In the One Hundred and Ninety-Fourth General Court
(2025-2026)**

An Act validating the New Salem annual town election.

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

1 SECTION 1: Notwithstanding section 10 of chapter 39 of the General Laws or any other
2 general or special law or by-law to the contrary, all votes cast by the voters of the Town of New
3 Salem at the annual town election held on May 5, 2025, are hereby ratified, validated and
4 confirmed in all respects, notwithstanding any defects or omissions in the calling of said town
5 election.

6 SECTION 2: This act shall take effect upon its passage.