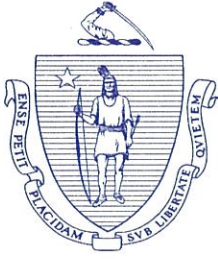


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November 1, 2019

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 a Special Town Election in the Town of Oakham."

I am filing this special legislation at the request of the Oakham Board of Selectmen.

The legislation ratifies all acts, proceedings, and votes taken by the Town at its June 12, 2019 annual Town Meeting and September 12, 2019 special Town election that authorized the Town's purchase of a dump truck, borrowing to finance the purchase of the truck, and exclusion of the borrowing amount from the Town's levy limit. The ratification serves to address any question that might arise due to a technical issue with the form of the ballot question that was approved at the Town election to authorize the debt exclusion.

I urge your prompt consideration of this bill.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Charles D. Baker".

Charles D. Baker
Governor