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(name of officer).

Immediately at the right of each proposition, there shall be an oval which the voter may fill to vote for either of such proposition. Just above said ovals, there shall appear the direction "vote for one". Under the proposition shall appear the word "Candidates" and the direction to voters required by section 42 of chapter 54 of the General Laws and beneath this the names of candidates nominated as provided in this act. In case of other forms of balloting, appropriate provision shall be made to allow the same intent of the voter.

If a majority of the votes cast on the recall question is in the affirmative, then the candidate who received the highest number of votes in the special election to fill the vacancy shall be elected. If a majority of the votes cast on the recall question is in the negative, the ballots for candidates to fill the potential vacancy need not be counted.

SECTION 7. No recall petition shall be filed against an officer within 6 months after that officer takes office, nor, in the case of an officer subjected to a recall

election and not recalled by that election, until at least 6 months after the election at which the recall was submitted to the voters.

SECTION 8. No person who has been removed from an office or who has resigned from office while recall proceedings were pending against that person shall be appointed to any town office within 2 years after the removal or resignation.

Approved January 3, 2007.

Chapter 440. AN ACT CLARIFYING THE RETIREMENT STATUS OF A DISABLED NORWOOD POLICE OFFICER.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Notwithstanding chapter 301 of the acts of 2004, former Norwood police officer Joseph Fernandes shall remain a member of the Norwood retirement system and all benefits due to officer Joseph Fernandes or his survivors under chapter 32 of the General Laws or said chapter 301 shall be paid by the Norwood retirement board, and not by the town of Norwood.

Approved January 3, 2007.

Chapter 441. AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SICK LEAVE BANK FOR ANNETTE V. FIELDING, AN EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the department of social services, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate

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preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary, the department of social services shall establish a sick leave bank for Annette V. Fielding, an employee of the department of social services. Any employee of the department may voluntarily contribute 1 or more sick, personal or vacation days to the leave bank for use by Annette V. Fielding. Whenever Annette V. Fielding terminates employment with the department or requests to dissolve the sick leave bank, the balance of sick leave shall be transferred to the extended illness leave bank.

Approved January 3, 2007.

Chapter 442. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE CHARTER OF THE TOWN OF SANDWICH.

SECTION 1. Section 4.1 of section 1 of chapter 137 of the acts of 2002, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 2, the words “; a tax collector”.

SECTION 2. Section 4.6 of said section 1 of said chapter 137 is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. The elected tax collector holding office as of the effective date of this act shall continue in office until the expiration of her elected term or until her resignation, whichever occurs first.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved January 3, 2007.

Chapter 443. AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SICK LEAVE BANK FOR MICHAEL F. LEAVITT, AN EMPLOYEE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL RETARDATION.

Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is to establish forthwith a sick leave bank for a certain employee of the department of mental retardation, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Notwithstanding any general or special law or rule or regulation to the contrary, the department of mental retardation shall establish a sick leave bank for Michael F. Leavitt, an employee of the department. Any employee of the department may voluntarily contribute 1 or more sick, personal or vacation days to the sick leave bank for use by Michael F. Leavitt.