Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Nine

Resolution 99-6

Funding the additional money that towns must pay for County Retirement in FY 2000.

WHEREAS, the Barnstable County Retirement Board voted to authorize a cost of living increase for retirees in accordance with the recently passed legislation, Chapter 17 of the Acts of 1997;

WHEREAS, COLA's provided each year, if any, from 1982 - 1997 that were paid for by the Commonwealth, will continue to be paid for by the Commonwealth;

WHEREAS, the above mentioned legislation stipulated that beginning in FY 1998, the Commonwealth would no longer appropriate funding for retiree COLA's, and further passed legislation that provided for such COLA's to be paid for by individual retirement systems;

WHEREAS, the Barnstable County Retirement Board commissioned an actuarial study to analyze the fiscal impact of COLA's and other actuarial changes; and

WHEREAS, the resulting actuarial study necessitated increases in the assessment to each unit in the Barnstable County Retirement system, of which 60% of the FY 2000 increase is due to the impact of the COLA's on the actuarial study.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates:

THAT, the Speaker of the Assembly of Delegates and the Chair of the County Commissioners write letters of petition to Governor A. Paul Celucci, Senators Henri Rauschenbach and Therese Murray, Representatives Demetrius Atsalis, Nancy Caffyn, Thomas George, Shirley Gomes, Ruth Provost, and Eric Turkington, requesting that the State legislatures, who are having great difficulty in spending the present surplus, relieve the burden that this **unfunded** mandate has placed on our towns, and

THAT, each Delegate ask the Chair of the Board of Selectmen to write letters of petition to the Governor and the Cape Delegation.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates, with Delegates representing 68.22% of the population of Barnstable County present and voting at a meeting held on March 17, 1999.

Attested by:

Diane C. Thompson, Clerk Assembly of Delegates