

A TOWN RESOLUTION To PROMOTE LEGISLATION To CREATE UNIVERSAL, HIGH QUALITY, READILY ACCESSIBLE and AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE For AMERICANS

PETITION: To bring this Article to a vote before the Town of Grantham, NH

WHEREAS, there is legislation in the US Congress which would work towards UNIVERSAL HEALTH INSURANCE to assure AFFORDABLE, HIGH QUALITY, READILY ACCESSIBLE medical care and

WHEREAS current costs of prescription drugs , equipment and hospital services are UNAFFORDABLE and UNSUSTAINABLE in our country, and such services, including primary and preventative care; emergency services; dental and vision care; and long-term care are essential for the HEALTH of our CITIZENRY and

WHEREAS fellow Grantham residents have experienced BANKRUPTCY due to medical bills, unheard of in any other developed nation, and many do not fill prescriptions or defer needed medical care due to unjustifiable costs and unaffordable deductions and

WHEREAS ABSENCE of UNIVERSAL, READILY ACCESSIBLE and AFFORDABLE INSURANCE contributes to inability to intervene early with and obtain medical care for opioid addiction, depression and other medical conditions which have reduced US life expectancy in recent years, and

WHEREAS the duration and quality of life for the residents of Grantham will improve since all can access ongoing care , instead of waiting until there is a medical emergency that could disrupt their lives and further burden local resources;

WHEREAS the Town of Grantham and its associated School Districts currently spend 25,944\$/year for private health insurance premiums for a teacher's family, and Health Insurance just for town employees represents 8% of total budget, our taxpayer costs would potentially be reduced via alternative lower cost, comprehensive national health insurance programs.

BE IT RESOLVED that the voters of Grantham New Hampshire enthusiastically support legislation that furthers UNIVERSAL, HIGH QUALITY, READILY ACCESSIBLE and AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE For AMERICANS , and instruct Grantham's congressional representatives to work towards immediate enactment of legislation that assures appropriate and efficient health care for all residents of the United States.

IF A MAJORITY of voters support the question, the Select Board shall immediately send a written notice to Grantham's US congressional delegation informing them of the instructions of their constituents within 30 days of the vote.

Signed:

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