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November 13, 2024

School Committee Town of Plymouth

Select Board Town of Plymouth

Dear Sirs:

Please be advised the Town Clerk has received a resignation letter from School Committee member, Michelle Badger effective December 17, 2024.

The Town Charter states the following:

4-1-4: Vacancies in boards established under this chapter, except the Select Board, shall be filled by the Select Board, together with the remaining members of the appropriate board in accordance with the provisions of general law.

Thus, the procedure for filling this vacancy with the provisions of general law is Mass General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 11. Please find a copy of the law attached. The remaining members of the School Committee shall give written notice of the vacancy to the Select Board, who, with the remaining members of this Board, shall, after one week's notice, fill such vacancy by roll call vote. Notification of these vacancies must be made to the Select Board within one month; otherwise, the Selectmen shall fill such vacancy.

The person elected to fill this vacancy will serve until the next Town Election.

Sincerely,

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Kelly A. McElreath Town Clerk

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| PART I ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT                          |
| TITLE VII CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS                            |
| CHAPTER 41 OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS |
| Section 11 Appointment to fill vacancy in town office            |

Section 11. As used in this section, the term "vacancy" includes a failure to elect. If a vacancy occurs in any town office, other than the office of selectman, town clerk, treasurer, collector of taxes or auditor, the selectmen shall in writing appoint a person to fill such vacancy. If there is a vacancy in a board consisting of two or more members, except a board whose members have been elected by proportional representation under chapter fifty-four A, the remaining members shall give written notice thereof, within one month of said vacancy, to the selectmen, who, with the remaining member or members of such board, shall, after one week's notice, fill such vacancy by roll call vote. The selectmen shall fill such vacancy if such board fails to give said notice within the time herein specified. A majority of the votes of the officers entitled to vote shall be necessary to such election. The person so appointed or elected shall be a registered voter of the town and shall perform the duties of the office until the next annual meeting or until another is qualified.

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November 12, 2024

Kelly McElreath, Clerk Plymouth Town Hall 26 Court Street Plymouth, MA 02360

**RECEIVED** By Kelly A McElreath at 6:38 pm, Nov 12, 2024

Dear Kelly,

I am writing to formally resign from my position as a member and chair of the Plymouth School Committee, effective December 17, 2024.

Serving on the School Committee for the past 13 years has been a true honor and privilege. During my time on the Committee I learned so much and had the opportunity to work with so many members of our community to ensure we continue to improve the educational and extracurricular experiences of our students, support our dedicated staff, and focus on building a strong future for the Plymouth Public Schools. I have been deeply committed to our mission, and I am proud of what we have accomplished each and every day. Our accomplishments are a testament to the hard work, dedication, and collaboration of every committee member I have had the privilege to serve with, our amazing staff and students, and our supportive community.

I look forward to serving as State Representative for the 1st Plymouth District and will always carry the lessons and experiences from my time on the School Committee. I remain deeply grateful for the trust and support that the community has placed in me over the years, and I look forward to continuing to advocate for education - and so much more - at the state level to ensure that everyone can remain and thrive in Plymouth through every stage of their lives.

My last meeting will be on December 17, 2024, and I will ensure a smooth transition in the coming weeks in my role as chair. Please do not hesitate to reach out if there is any way I can assist during this period of transition or if you need additional information from me.

It has been a privilege to work alongside such dedicated individuals, and I will always cherish the time I have spent serving and advocating on behalf of our schools, students, staff, and community members.

Sincerely,

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Michelle L. Badger Plymouth Public School Committee, Chair

Copy to: Dr. Christopher Campbell, Plymouth Public School Superintendent