

## **Arlington Town Meeting — Motion to Amend**

**ARTICLE NO. 16**

**Dated: April 27, 2022**

I, BethAnn Friedman, do hereby submit the following Motion to amend the recommended vote of the Select Board by making the following change to Article 16: BYLAW AMENDMENT/NOISE REGULATIONS FOR GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWERS:

Omit section 2 (c)(i) which prohibits residences from using gas powered leaf blowers between June 1 and September 15 such that section 2 (c) reads as follows:

Section 2(c) Resident Users Transition Period

During the transition period from May 31, 2022 – March 15, 2025, gas powered leaf blowers may be operated by residents while on their own property during the following times:

- ~~(i) March 15th – May 31st and September 15th – December 30th;~~
- ~~(ii) (i) Mondays through Fridays, 7:30 am – 6 pm;~~
- ~~(iii) (ii) Saturdays, Sundays and Legal Holidays, 8 am – 4 pm.~~

### **Rationale for change**

It is unfair to residences to essentially give them no notice that they risk penalties should they use their gas powered leaf blower over the summer months.

The transition period for phasing out use of residential gas powered leaf blowers should be the same as that for commercial vendors.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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