*Town/City of TBD*

*P R O C L A M A T I O N*

**WHEREAS:** Litter is visible along nearly every Massachusetts highway, sidewalk, public park and beach; and

**WHEREAS:** Along our interstate highways, the litter problem is more acute, with discarded tires, car parts, construction materials, plastic buckets, plastic wrapping and “flyaway” litter from truckers marring the landscape; and

**WHEREAS:** The mess in Massachusetts sends the message that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts does not prioritize its appearance or environmental health; and

**WHEREAS:** In addition to being an eyesore, the Massachusetts litter problem costs local municipalities, the state, and its taxpayers millions of dollars each year in cleanup costs. Meanwhile, the Massachusetts state government devotes little to no money or effort toward LITTER PREVENTION; and

**WHEREAS:** Many other states educate the public about the harmful effects of litter via statewide anti-litter public service announcement (PSA) campaigns; and

**WHEREAS:** Massachusetts State Senator Paul R. Feeney has filed SD. 1867 to establish a Massachusetts Roadside Litter Prevention & Cleanup Task Force, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED** That the Town/City of <insert town of city name> urges the Massachusetts State Legislature to pass SD. 1867 and establish a statewide Roadside Litter Prevention & Cleanup Task Force.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** we have hereunto set our hands and seal this <insert date> of <insert month> 2025.

#### *<insert name of town or city> Select Board/City Council Members:*

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 *, Chair*

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 *, Vice Chair*

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 *, Clerk*

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