TOWN OF TRURO PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Truro Planning Board will hold a public hearing, pursuant to G.L. C.40A, Section 5, at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at the Truro Town Hall located at 24 Town Hall Road, Truro to consider an amendment to the Town of Truro Zoning Bylaws Section 30.8 (C), Special Permits. The proposed amendment seeks to add language to Section 30.8 (C) addressing the required findings of the Special Permit Granting Authority. The complete text is available for public viewing at the Town Clerk's Office and the Planning Department Office located at Truro Town Hall, 24 Town Hall Road, Truro from 8 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday, and at www.truro-ma.gov.

Steven Sollog, Chair Truro Planning Board



ARTICLE [No.]: Petitioned article to amend the Truro Zoning Bylaw,

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 30.8, Special Permits, C. of the Truro Zoning Bylaw, by deleting the words crossed out and adding the words shown in bold underline below, or to take any other action relative thereto.

30.8 C. Special permits or variances may be approved only after a finding by if the Board of Appeals or Planning Board (as applicable, see use table) finds that the proposed use alteration, construction, or reconstruction is in the opinion of the Board in harmony with the general public good and intent of this bylaw, as set forth in § 10.2 (purpose). The Board shall make specific written findings of objective facts that clearly support the request for the special permit or variance and that demonstrate by clear and convincing evidence that the approval of the special permit or variance is in the public interest of the Town of Truro and not inconsistent with the purpose of this bylaw, which is to promote the health, safety, convenience, and welfare of the inhabitants of Truro: prevent the overcrowding of land; conserve the value of land and buildings; enable the protection of clean and adequate water supply; conserve natural resources; prevent blight of the environment; encourage the most appropriate use of land in Truro; and promote the implementation of the goals and policies of the Truro Local Comprehensive Plan. Since the granting of a special permit or variance is strictly discretionary the Board shall, in considering an application for a special permit or variance, give special and careful attention to the opposition of abutters who may be disadvantaged or harmed by the planned alterations or physical changes to the property. The Board shall include in its findings copies of all comments on the application timely received from abutters along with the Board's responses to each comment. The approval shall be subject to any other applicable provision of this bylaw and the Board may impose conditions, safeguards, and limitations on time and use, which in the Board's opinion are necessary to comply with the intent and purpose of this bylaw.

