Council Order: 2025-044 Introduced by: Town Manager Brian Howard

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Request for the Town Council to Amend The Town of Randolph General Ordinance, Chapter 83, Building Construction, to Adopt the Stretch Energy Code

To see if the Randolph Town Council will vote to amend Chapter 83 of the general ordinances of the Town of Randolph concerning Building Construction as follows:

1. Add Chapter 83-4 in its entirety as follows (additions are identified as *italics*):

§ 83-4 Stretch Energy Code

(A) Definitions.

INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE (IECC) - The International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) is a building energy code created by the International Code Council. It is a model code adopted by many state and municipal governments in the United States for the establishment of minimum design and construction requirements for energy efficiency, and is updated on a three-year cycle. The baseline energy conservation requirements of the Massachusetts State Building Code are the IECC with Massachusetts amendments, as approved by the Board of Building Regulations and Standards.

STRETCH ENERGY CODE - Codified by the combination of 225 CMR 22 and 23, not including the Appendices RC and CC, the Stretch Energy Code is a comprehensive set of amendments to the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) seeking to achieve all lifecycle cost-effective energy efficiency in accordance with the Green Communities Act of 2008, as well as to reduce the climate impacts of buildings built to this code.

(B) Purpose.

The purpose of 225 CMR 22 and 23 is to provide a more energy efficient alternative to the Base Energy Code applicable to the relevant sections of the building code for both new construction and existing buildings.

(C) Applicability.

This code applies to residential and commercial buildings.

(D) Stretch Energy Code Incorporation Into General Ordinances

The Stretch Energy Code, as codified by the entirety of 225 CMR 22 and 23, including any future editions, amendments, or modifications, is herein incorporated by reference into the General Ordinances of the Town of Randolph.

(E) Stretch Energy Code Enforcement

The Stretch Energy Code is enforceable in the Town of Randolph by the Building Commissioner or as otherwise authorized by state law.

(F) Stretch Energy Code Effective Date

This § 83-4 Stretch Energy Code is effective in the Town of Randolph as of January 1, 2026.