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Proposed Resolution 17-~~2~~ ~~X~~ ~~X~~

Approved  
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Whereas, Delegates to the Barnstable County Assembly are elected by their respective communities on a non-partisan basis, and;

Whereas, a non-partisan atmosphere (?) is more conducive to shared solutions and consensus decision-making in the Assembly, and;

Whereas, we would seek to foster such atmosphere across County Government to improve our decision-making process, and as;

We do recognize the inherent individual constitutional right of free speech, and we desire to maintain a healthy tolerance for airing differences of opinion and perspective.

Now therefore, we set forth this proposed standard of behavior, to be included in the County Policies and Procedures Handbook, as the new Chap. 1.9 with later chapter(s) renumbered; and explicitly applicable to all employees, including elected officials

*Every Barnstable County employee, including elected officials, is expected to keep to specific questions of policy in all their public communications referencing other members of County government, and to refrain from publicly airing differences of a personal or partisan nature.*