



THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF AMHERST SUPPORTS:

ARTICLE 41 : GREATER TRANSPARENCY IN POLITICAL DONATIONS

Article 41 is a resolution supporting strong, new campaign finance laws at both the state and national level, in order to reduce the influence of money, especially hidden donations, in political campaigns.

The League is deeply committed to reforming our nation's campaign finance system to ensure the public's right to know, combat corruption and undue influence, enable candidates to compete more equitably for public office and allow maximum citizen participation in the political process. Big money in elections, especially after Citizens United, is corrosive to government accountability and representative democracy

ARTICLE 24 : AMHERST AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST BYLAW AMENDMENT

ARTICLE 26: PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE BYLAW AMENDMENT

ARTICLE 27: DISSOLUTION OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ... COMMITTEE

Articles 24, 26, and 27 serve the purpose of consolidating certain Town Committees, in order to improve and streamline their functioning.

The League supports an overall plan for the Town's citizen boards, including a clearly stated mission for each board and an attempt to control the proliferation of boards by periodic review of boards and combining them when appropriate.

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