

Resolution that Reinforces 72% of Massachusetts Voters for an Audit of the Legislature

WHEREAS, how the Massachusetts legislature spends our tax dollars is arguably the most important and controversial issue in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, thereby requiring close scrutiny;

WHEREAS, in 2022, State Senator Diana DiZoglio ran for state auditor and won on a campaign promise to audit the legislature;

WHEREAS, audits of the legislature in Massachusetts have been done in the past and are routinely done in all states across America with the exception of Massachusetts;

WHEREAS, Governor Maura Healey, House Speaker Ron Mariano, Senate President Karen Spilka, State Attorney General Andrea Campbell, and a majority of legislators are resisting an audit;

WHEREAS, State Auditor Diana DiZoglio decided to take her case directly to Massachusetts voters through Ballot Question 1 titled, “A Law Expressly Authorizing the Auditor to Audit the Legislature” that won decisively by 72% of Massachusetts voters; and

WHEREAS, governments are set up by the consent of the governed – not the other way around.

THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED, that the Massachusetts Republican Party assuredly stands with 72% of Massachusetts citizens who voted to grant power of the state auditor to proceed with her duly-elected duty to audit the state legislature; and

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Massachusetts Republican Party urges Governor Maura Healey, House Speaker Ron Mariano, Senate President Karen Spilka, State Attorney General Andrea Campbell, and all Massachusetts legislators to remove any obstacles that impede an audit of the legislature, thereby reinforcing the will of the people.

Respectfully submitted by Kathy Lynch