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SPECIAL SELECTMEN'S MEETING AGENDA April 21, 2022 Zoom – 3:00 p.m.

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1. To consider, and if appropriate, approve the appointment of Ryan Sullivan to the Branford Housing Authority fill a vacancy left by Robert Imperato term to expire April 30, 2026.

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2. To consider, and if appropriate, approve the following resolution:

FAIR HOUSING RESOLUTION TOWN OF BRANFORD

WHEREAS, all persons are afforded a right to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice; and

WHEREAS, federal fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and homeownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

WHEREAS, Connecticut fair housing laws require that all individuals, regardless of race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, marital status, age, lawful source of income, familial status, learning disability, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity or expression be given equal access to all housing-related opportunities, including rental and home ownership opportunities, and be allowed to make free choices regarding housing location; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Branford is committed to upholding these laws, and realizes that these laws must be supplemented by an Affirmative Statement publicly endorsing the right of all people to full and equal housing opportunities in the neighborhood of their choice, and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOVED, that the Town of Branford hereby endorses a Fair Housing Policy to ensure equal opportunity for all persons to rent, purchase, obtain financing and enjoy all other housing-related services of their choice on a non-discriminatory basis as provided by state and federal law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the chief executive officer of the Town of Branford or his/her designated representative is responsible for responding to and assisting any person who alleges to be the victim of an illegal discriminatory housing practice in the Town and for advising such person of the right to file a complaint with the State of Connecticut Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities (CHRO) or the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or to seek assistance from the CT Fair Housing Center, legal services, or other fair housing organizations to protect his or her right to equal housing opportunities.

3. Adjournment