



**ABSENTEE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
SPECIAL TOWN ELECTION
READING, MASSACHUSETTS
FEBRUARY 25, 2003**

Cheryl A. Johnson
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice(s) like this:

QUESTIONS

Question 1 (Article 5)

Shall the Town of Reading be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, pursuant to G.L. c. 59, §21C(k), the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to make extraordinary repairs and/or additions to the Reading Memorial High School at 62 Oakland Road, including the costs of engineering and architectural fees, plans, documents, cost estimates, and related expenses incidental thereto and necessary in connection therewith?

YES

NO

Question 2 (Article 6)

Shall the Town of Reading be allowed to exempt from the provisions of proposition two and one-half, so-called, pursuant to G.L. c. 59, §21C(k), the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to construct a new school and associated recreational facilities on land off Dividence Road shown on Reading Board of Assessors Rev. January 1, 1981 Map 207 as Lot 3, consisting of 2.0 acres and Lot 4, consisting of 9.6 acres, which land was acquired by the Town for school and recreation purposes by Order of Taking dated April 13, 1970, recorded in the Middlesex South Registry of Deeds in Book 11831, Page 432, including the costs of original furnishings and equipment, landscaping, paving and other site improvements, engineering and architectural fees, plans and specifications, inspection fees, relocation costs, contingencies and related expenses incidental thereto and necessary in connection therewith, as an addition to or in conjunction with, the sum authorized by vote of Article 4 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of December 7, 1998?

YES

NO

Question 3

Shall the Town of Reading be allowed to assess an additional \$250,000 in real estate and personal property taxes, pursuant to G.L. c.59, §21C(i1/2), for the construction of sidewalks on Franklin Street, from Main Street to Grove Street, including the costs of engineering fees, plans, documents, cost estimates, and related expenses incidental thereto and necessary in connection therewith, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003?

YES

NO