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Honorable Board of Aldermen Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton, MA 02459

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I would like to extend my appreciation to all of the members of the Honorable Board for your service to the residents of this great City and the diligence with which you have reviewed the FY2015 City of Newton Municipal Budget.

I appreciate the resolutions that have been forwarded to me by the Honorable Board and would respectfully request that the Board take the following actions:

- 1. Increase General Fund Revenue by \$173,597 Funding Source: Parking Meter Receipts In the 5-6 weeks since the budget was prepared, the City has received additional funding from parking meter receipts which can be taken as a source of revenue for next year's budget.
- 2. Conservation Land Improvements Increase Acct # 0111402-5841 - Conservation Grounds Improvement by \$23,597 in response to Budget Resolution #1.
- 3. Reserve for Part-Time/Temporary/or Consulting Services Establish a Part-Time/Temporary/or Consulting Services Reserve Account in the Comptroller's Budget with a corresponding appropriation of \$150,000. Members of the Honorable Board have made several valuable suggestions regarding areas where they believe additional staffing is required. I will continue to evaluate these departments, as well as all other departments, and should I determine that additional staffing is necessary, I will not hesitate to request a transfer from this newly established account. As with all budget reserve accounts, funds can only be utilized upon a recommendation of the Mayor and a positive vote of the Board of Aldermen.

Once again, it has been my pleasure to work with the Honorable Board throughout the deliberative process.

ruly yours.

Mayor

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