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PETITION 32 PETITION FOR REDRESS OF GRIEVANCE

TO:

The Honorable House of Representatives

FROM:

Petitioner Representative Clifford Newton, Strafford 1

DATE:

January 27, 2012

SUBJECT:

Grievance of Randall Bowen, Shona Bowen, Jerry DeLemus, Robert Gates, Thomas Kaczynski, Jr., and 308 additional petitioners, all of Rochester,

New Hampshire.

Your Petitioner Representative Newton on behalf of Randall Bowen, Shona Bowen, Jerry DeLemus, Robert Gates, Thomas Kaczynski, Jr. and 308 additional petitioners, all of Rochester, New Hampshire, hereinafter presents the following summary of their grievance and invokes the constitutional authority and duty of the Honorable House of Representatives pursuant to Articles 31 and 32 to bring about redress:

Grievance involving the Comprehensive Rezoning Committee appointed by various mayors of the city of Rochester for failing to keep records from 2002 to the present as required by Part 1, Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of New Hampshire, and against Thomas J. Jean, mayor of the city of Rochester; the Rochester city council; and the Rochester planning board and its chairman Lionel Sylvain, for acquiescing in the violations of law committed by the Comprehensive Rezoning Committee.

Wherefore, your Petitioner prays that the House of Representatives consider this proposed remedy:

- I. Order the mayor, the city council, and the planning board of the city of Rochester to vacate the Comprehensive Rezoning Committee proposal, including maps developed as a result of the long-term illegal actions of the Committee and begin anew any comprehensive rezoning with proper records.
- II. Request the Redress of Grievances Committee to review and support HB 1223-FN of the 2012 legislative session relative to remedies under the right-to-know law.
- III. Order the implementation of the penalties under RSA 92:2 against any officials determined by the committee to have knowingly participated in the violation of the law.
- IV. Introduce a bill requiring that any zoning actions taken by a city or town using illegally created documents shall be null and void.

Respectfully submitted by Petitioner Representative Newton on Behalf of Randall Bowen, Shona Bowen, Jerry DeLemus, Robert Gates, Thomas Kaczynski, Jr., and 308 additional petitioners, all of Rochester, New Hampshire.

Co-petitioner: Representative Susan DeLemus, Strafford 1