

Resolution #2020-30- Resolution to Protect the Enfield Public's Right to Recite the Pledge of Allegiance

WHEREAS, the Enfield Town Board recognized the Constitutional challenges presented by including the Pledge of Allegiance in the Town Board Regular Meeting Outline, as compelled by the Local Government, and;

WHEREAS, the Town Board recognizes the importance of the Pledge of Allegiance to some residents of the Town of Enfield, and;

WHEREAS, there is an opportunity for meeting attendees to express themselves during Privilege of the Floor at the beginning of each meeting, and;

WHEREAS, the Enfield Town Board agrees this is an appropriate time for the Public to exercise the right of reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Enfield Town Board approves the following change to the General Rules for Procedure and Guidelines for Public Comment:

- *Speakers must limit their remarks to 3 minutes on a given topic. (Exclusive of the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance at each meeting of the Enfield Town Board)*

RESOLVED, the Enfield Town Board will not infringe upon the right of members of the Public to recite the Pledge of Allegiance during the first Privilege of the Floor at the beginning of each meeting.

RESOLVED, members of the Town Board and Public are not required to stand or recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vote: Councilperson Bryant: aye; Councilperson Lynch: no; Councilperson Mehaffey: aye; Councilperson Redmond: aye; Supervisor McGee: aye- Motion Carried