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**NOTICE OF JOINT CONVENTION OF
CITY COUNCIL AND GARDNER SCHOOL COMMITTEE**
**Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical
School District Committee Appointment**

The City Council and School Committee will meet in Joint Convention on **Monday, February 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.** in the City Council Chamber, Room 219, City Hall, to appoint a Gardner resident to serve on the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District Committee for four years.

Any Gardner registered voter interested in being considered for the position shall submit a Letter of Interest with qualifications to the City Council and School Committee, delivered to the City Clerk, 95 Pleasant Street, Room 121, no later than 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 1, 2018.

ALAN L. AGNELLI
CITY CLERK

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**MONTY TECH SCHOOL COMMITTEE VACANCY
NOMINATION AND APPOINTMENT PROCEDURE**

Nomination process outlined under Robert's Rules of Order, Chapter XIV, §46 (pp.416-418)
Requirements for Appointment outlined under the 3rd Amendment (1989)
to the Montachusett Regional Vocational School District Agreement

- ❖ Nominations from the floor will be recognized.
- ❖ A nomination does not require a second; however, a nomination may be seconded to indicate endorsement.
- ❖ No one may nominate more than one person, if an objection is made, until every member wishing to nominate has had an opportunity to do so.
- ❖ If no further nominations are offered, the Presiding Officer will call for a motion to close nominations.
- ❖ A two-thirds vote is required to close nominations.
- ❖ A majority vote is required to reopen nominations.
- ❖ The City Clerk will call the roll, whereupon each Councillor and School Committee member shall state the name of the person whom they choose.
- ❖ The nominee receiving the requisite ten (10) votes shall be declared appointed.
- ❖ Further balloting shall be undertaken until someone is appointed.

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Eric D. Commodore
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Gardner City Council
Gardner School Committee
95 Pleasant Street
Gardner MA, 01440

Members of the City Council and School Committee

I request my name be placed in consideration for reappointment to the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District School Committee.

I have served on the Monty Tech School Committee since January of 2010. I am currently serving as Vice-Chair of the committee; Chair of the Financial Planning Subcommittee and as a member of the Workforce Subcommittee.

Over the past four years the School Committee has delivered budgets that were at or near net school spend, have funded capital improvements with internally generated revenues, and utilized E&D funds to reduce community assessments. Our most recent capital project is the construction of a 7,500 Square Foot Vet Tech building. This innovative project was funded by through generous donations (No Capital expense to our member communities) and constructed by our talented Vocational Instructors and Students.

As a member of the Workforce Subcommittee, I participated in the successful negotiation of the current collective bargaining agreement. As a member of Technology Ad Hoc Subcommittee I helped drive the implementation of Monty Tech's One for One initiative. This initiative put Chromebooks in the hands of 1,435 students and was funded through offsetting saves in the existing technology budget.

Outside of my official duties on the School Committee, I volunteer time with the Monty Tech Marine Corps JROTC. I participate in Mock Interviews with students and I am a mentor for the Schools CyberPatriot teams.

If reappointed to the Monty Tech School Committee I will continue to serve with dedication on behalf of the City of Gardner, its residents and the students of the Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School District.

Sincerely,



Eric D. Commodore

Dear, Gardner School Committee and City Council

I am writing with the intent to be appointed to the Monty Tech School Committee. I feel that the experiences I have make me an excellent candidate.

I am a graduate of the Monty Tech class of 2008. The education and skills I learned while attending there have shaped who I am and are still used in my day to day life. Having been elected and served on the Gardner School Committee and City Council I have an understanding of what is needed to effectively represent Gardner on the Monty Tech School Committee.

While serving on the School Committee I was a member of the Policy and Finance subcommittees where I gained valuable insights. On the Finance Committee we went through the budget line by line to ensure that we were spending the schools money in the most effective way. While on Policy Committee we did a comprehensive review of the policies.

These experiences will help me to make informed decisions in the best interest of the students. Please consider me when deciding the next School Committee Member for Monty Tech please don't hesitate to reach out to me.

Thank you,

Matthew Vance
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