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To: Town Meeting members

From: Robert W. LeLacheur, Jr. CFA

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RE: Town Meeting tonight

Subsequent Town Meeting is set to meet tonight at 7:30pm in the Performing Arts Center at Reading Memorial High School. First, please be careful as we are expecting snow and ice, and the roads and walkways may be slippery.

Second, tensions in the town reflect an unfortunate divide in our country. Remarks made by a resident at a public meeting on Tuesday night were out of line and taken by some to be threatening in nature. The Reading Police department detective division has completed an investigation today and they find no credible threat to the public. However, that in no way validates the remarks that were made.

I have been in touch with Moderator Alan Foulds and kept him informed of these facts, and he may have a few words for you at the beginning of the meeting. In addition, I have requested more police presence tonight.

I want to underscore that every Town Meeting member should feel safe to attend tonight's Town Meeting, and to conduct the business of the community for which you were elected.

Again, please do be careful with the weather.