COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HOUSING APPEALS COMMITTEE

STANDING ORDER NO. 14-01

REMOTE PARTICIPATION IN MEETINGS

Effective October 1, 2014, it is hereby ORDERED that:

Pursuant to a unanimous vote of the Committee at its meeting on September 16, 2014, Committee members may be permitted to participate in meetings remotely as follows:

a. A member may be permitted to participate remotely in a meeting of the Housing Appeals Committee in compliance with the Massachusetts Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25 and 940 CMR 29.10, if the chair determines that one or more of the following factors makes the member’s physical attendance unreasonably difficult:
   (a) Personal illness;
   (b) Personal disability;
   (c) Emergency;
   (d) Military service; or
   (e) Geographic distance.

b. In all cases, a quorum shall be physically present at the meeting location.

c. At the start of the meeting, the chair will announce the name of any member who will be participating remotely and the reason therefor, which information shall be recorded in the minutes.

d. All votes taken during the meeting in which a member participates remotely shall be taken by roll-call vote.

Ordered: September 26, 2014
Effective: October 1, 2014; this Order revokes Standing Order 13-01.

Housing Appeals Committee

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Werner Lohe
Chairman