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**Chapter 18. AN ACT PROVIDING FOR NONPARTISAN TOWN ELECTIONS IN THE TOWN OF GRANBY.**

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** Chapter six of the acts of nineteen hundred and ninety-four is hereby repealed.

**SECTION 2.** Any person who is qualified to vote for town officers in the town of Granby may be a candidate for an elective town office and shall be entitled to have his name as such candidate printed on the official ballot to be used at a town election; provided, however, that he files nomination papers provided by the town clerk containing not less than twenty-five signatures certified as voters of said town. Nomination papers shall be filed with the town clerk not later than five o'clock in the afternoon of the thirty-fifth day preceding such town election. Every nomination paper shall be submitted to the registrars of voters for certification of names thereon on or before five o'clock in the afternoon of the fourteenth day preceding the day on which it shall be filed with the clerk.

No preliminary or primary election or caucus for the nomination of town officers shall be held. No ballot used at a town election shall have printed thereon a party or political designation or mark and there shall not be appended to the name of a candidate any such political designation or mark.

**SECTION 3.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved February 16, 1996.

**Chapter 19. AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF CHILMARK.**

*Be it enacted, etc., as follows:*

Notwithstanding the provisions of section eight C of chapter forty of the General Laws, the board of selectmen of the town of Chilmark are hereby authorized to appoint not more than two associate members of the conservation commission of said town for terms not to exceed one year.

The chairman of said commission may designate any such associate member to sit on the board in the absence of a quorum, failure of a quorum for any reason including a conflict of interest, the existence of a vacancy until said vacancy is filled in the manner provided in section eight C of said chapter forty or for any other reason the chairman may determine to be in the best interest of the commission.

Approved February 16, 1996.