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## RESOLUTION

of the

## **BOARD OF SELECTMEN**



Town of Raymond, Maine

WHEREAS \$1.2 billion is spent annually in the State of Maine due to the impacts of substance use and abuse, and,

WHEREAS many communities throughout Maine have been negatively impacted by substance use and abuse, including Windham and Raymond, and

WHEREAS substance use and abuse is a community-wide concern that requires a community-wide response, including access to support and resources for all community members, and

WHEREAS the promotion of healthy lifestyles and safe communities can positively impact a community and all its citizens, and

WHEREAS the consistency of messages needed to promote these healthy lifestyles and safe communities begins with community leaders, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Windham Town Council, Raymond Board of Selectmen, Sebago Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce, and RSU #14 Windham-Raymond

## October 14, 2014

School District Board of Directors express their support, individually and collectively, of the "Be the Influence Community Collaborative" and its mission to promote community collaboration and positive choices in an effort to reduce substance use and abuse, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Windham Town Council, Raymond Board of Selectmen, Sebago Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce, and RSU #14 Windham-Raymond School District Board of Directors pledge to promote the consistent message that we must all "Be the Influence" and that decisions matter by including at the commencement of each meeting a statement that shall read:

"We, the (Windham Town Council, Raymond Board of Selectmen, Sebago Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce, RSU #14 Windham-Raymond School District Board of Directors) recognize our individual and collective responsibilities as leaders and representatives of our community. To this end, we pledge to conduct ourselves in a manner befitting these roles and duties. We pledge and encourage others to 'Be the Influence' and to recognize that decisions matter."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands and caused the Seal of the Town of Raymond, Maine to be affixed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2014.

Board of Selectmen of the Town of Raymond, Maine:

Michael Reynolds, Chairman

Lawrence Taylor, Vice Chairman

Joseph Bruno Parliamentarian

Teresa Sadak

Samuel Gifford

**SEAL** 

Attest: Susan Look
Town Clerk

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