

TOWN OF BRADFORD

NEW HAMPSHIRE 03221



OFFICE OF SELECTMEN

TOWN CHARTER OF BRADFORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD, SEVENTEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

An act to incorporate New Bradford, in the County of Hillsborough, and Washington Gore, so called, and part of Washington in the County of Cheshire, have petitioned the General Court that they might be incorporated and invested with Town privileges, and belong to the county of Hillsborough, of which petition and the order of the Court thereon, due notice hath been given, and no objection being made, and the prayer of said petition appearing reasonable:

Be it therefore enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court convened, that there be and hereby is a township erected and incorporation by the name of Bradford, bounded as follows, viiz.- Beginning at a beech tree on Hillsborough line, thence running North eighty-two degrees East on said line six miles and eighty-four rods to a hemlock tree, thence running the same point to the South-west corner of Warner thence North seventeen degrees West by said Warner four miles and two hundred and thirty-one rods to the South line of Sutton, thence Westerly by the said line of Sutton to the East line of Fishersfield, sixty rods from the South-west corner of Fishersfield, sixty rods from the South-west corner of said Sutton to a white oak tree, marked being the North-west corner of said Washington Gore, thence North seventyeight degrees West, three miles and three hundred and ten rods to a small beech tree marked standing on the line of Fishersfield, thence South two degrees West, two miles and one hundred and fifty rods to a black ash tree marked, thence South twenty-seen degrees East, two miles and one hundred rods, to the bounds first mentioned. And the inhabitants thereof are hereby erected into a body politic and corporate, to have continuance and succession forever, and are hereby invested with all the powers, and enfranchised with all the rights, privileges, and immunities which any town in this State holds or enjoys; To hold the said inhabitants ad their successors forever.-And Deacon William Presbury is hereby authorized to call a meeting of said inhabitants to choose all necessary and customary Town Officers giving fourteen days notice of the time, place and design of such meeting: and such officers shall hereby be invested with all the powers of the officers in any other town in this state, and every other meeting shall be annually holden in said Town for that purpose on the second Tuesday of March annually forever.

And be it further enacted, that the said Township so erected shall forever hereafter be to all intents and purposes esteemed as part and parcel of the said County of Hillsborough; provided this act shall not extend to the effecting any taxes already assessed until a new proportion act is made; but the same taxes already assessed shall be collected until said proportion act shall be made, except the Town taxes, which may be made after the passing of this act in like manner as

the same would have been, had this act not been passed, any law, usage, or custom to the contrary not-with-standing.

State of New Hampshire

In the House of Representatives, September, 27, 1787

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