**Sample Town/City “Call to Prevent Nuclear War” Resolution /Warrant Article**

***Whereas*** nine nations together have over 14,000 nuclear weapons in their arsenals, most far more destructive than the two that killed hundreds of thousands in Japan in 1945;

***Whereas*** detonation of even a small number of these weapons could have catastrophic human and environmental consequences affecting everyone on the planet;

***Whereas*** the United States maintains hundreds of nuclear missiles in underground silos on hair-trigger alert, to be launched within minutes with great risk of an accidental, mistaken or unauthorized launch;

***Whereas*** the United States reserves the right to use nuclear weapons first, making a nuclear war more likely;

***Whereas*** the U.S. president has the sole and unchecked authority to order the use of nuclear weapons;

***Whereas*** over the next 30 years, the United States plans to spend an estimated $1.7 trillion to replace its entire nuclear arsenal;

***Whereas*** the United States, as well as Britain, China, France and Russia, are obligated under the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) to take concrete steps toward eliminating their nuclear arsenals;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that ***City ( or Town) of XXX*** calls upon the U.S. government to embrace the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and make global nuclear disarmament the centerpiece of our national security policy.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that ***City (or Town) of XXX*** calls upon the U.S. government to spearhead a global effort to prevent nuclear war by:

• renouncing the option of using nuclear weapons first;

• ending the sole, unchecked authority of any president to launch a nuclear attack;

• taking U.S. nuclear weapons off hair-trigger alert;

• cancelling the plan to replace its entire arsenal with enhanced weapons; and

• actively pursuing a verifiable agreement among nuclear-armed states to eliminate their nuclear arsenals.

**AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that our ***Board of Selectmen/Town Council*** will send copies of this resolution with a record of its adoption to all members of our Congressional Delegation.

SIGNED:

**Printed Name Address Signature Email** (optional)

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