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1 Evans-Frantz: will fight for fiscal constraint

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3 TEXT BODY:

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4 I moved to Brattleboro four years ago and never
5 considered the possibility of the town budget going from \$19.68
6 million (FY22) to \$27.02 million (proposed FY27). That represents
7 a 37% increase in the town budget.

8 If I had a crystal ball in 2022 and knew that the budget
9 would skyrocket, I may well have considered moving to a
10 different town. How can the Selectboard justify this inflation of

11 spending during a period of time when our population has
12 remained constant? It strikes me as fiscal irresponsibility.

13 For this reason I want to enthusiastically endorse Isaac
14 Evans-Frantz for a one-year term to the Selectboard on Tuesday,
15 March 3.

16 Isaac fought during the budget process last fall for a level
17 FY27 budget or one with a very small increase. The majority of
18 the Selectboard voted for a 8.2% increase.

19 I am a retired person living on a fixed income, and this
20 proposed budget will drive up my property taxes yet again.

21 Isaac Evans-Frantz will fight for fiscal restraint. He
22 knows the meaning of the word "affordability."

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