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MOTION:

WHEREAS: Cambridge Rindge and Latin School students have spoken out about troubling levels of sexual harassment and assault; and

WHEREAS: Students have repeatedly advocated for more education around consent and prevention of gender- and sex-based discrimination; and

WHEREAS: Educators in the Wellness and Athletics Departments as well as school leadership have joined the students in pushing for additional required Health instruction; and

WHEREAS: The School Committee and Interim Superintendent are on record supporting further Health education that would address sexual assault prevention, consent, healthy relationships, and related matters; and

WHEREAS: The School Committee holds that this supplementary learning would help improve the climate at the high school as well as better prepare students for external situations; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the School Committee changes File IKF High School Graduation Requirements Policy from five Health credits to fifteen Health credits, providing a second semester of Health courses for the class of 2026 in their junior year and every class thereafter; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Wellness Department will develop the new curriculum in collaboration with a group of students representative of the student body; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the School Committee revises File IHAE Physical Education Policy to specify that waivers provided to CRLS students participating in approved team sports will apply to physical education, but not Health course requirements.