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State Ethics Commission  
One Ashburton Place, Room 619  
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To the Ethics Commission:

Following consultation with Attorney Lauren Duca today, I am filing this 23(b)(3) Disclosure. As a Barnstable County employee (paid elected official), she advised me that I am required to file it with you.

As a courtesy I have also filed it with the Clerk of the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates.


Thank you,



Mary Chaffee

**DISCLOSURE OF APPEARANCE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST  
AS REQUIRED BY G. L. c. 268A, § 23(b)(3)**

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<b>PUBLIC EMPLOYEE INFORMATION</b>	
Name of public employee:	Mary Chaffee
Title or Position:	Deputy Speaker
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	In my capacity as a state, county or municipal employee, I am expected to take certain actions in the performance of my official duties. Under the circumstances, a reasonable person might conclude that a person or organization could unduly enjoy my favor or improperly influence me when I perform my official duties, or that I am likely to act or fail to act as a result of kinship, rank, position or undue influence of a party or person.  I am filing this disclosure to disclose the facts about this relationship or affiliation and to dispel the appearance of a conflict of interest.
<b>APPEARANCE OF FAVORITISM OR INFLUENCE</b>	
Describe the issue that is coming before you for action or decision.	My son-in-law, Sergeant Michael Mei, serves as an officer in the Brewster Police Department. Sergeant Mei occasionally serves as an instructor at the Barnstable County Police Training Academy and is compensated by the County.
What responsibility do you have for taking action or making a decision?	I am making a general disclosure of a family relationship.
Explain your relationship or affiliation to the person or organization.	SGT Michael Mei is married to my daughter Sandra Mei.
How do your official actions or decision matter to the person or organization?	The Assembly of Delegates has budgetary authority for the Barnstable County Police Training Academy where my son-in-law occasionally serves as an instructor.
<b>Optional:</b> Additional facts, e.g., why there is a low risk of undue favoritism or improper influence.	I believe I can perform my duties as a Delegate fairly and objectively in matters related to the County Police Training Academy. There is a low risk of undue favoritism because I will recuse myself from any matter where I feel I cannot perform my duties fairly and objectively due to my relationship with SGT Mei.
<b>If you cannot confirm this statement, you should recuse yourself.</b>	<b>WRITE AN X TO CONFIRM THE STATEMENT BELOW.</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Taking into account the facts that I have disclosed above, I feel that I can perform my official duties objectively and fairly.
Employee signature:	
Date:	August 10, 2021

There are no additional pages.  
Filing: Elected county employee – file with the State Ethics Commission