

LETTERS

The Gale School is a beautiful example of Belmont's history

To The Daily Sun,

This may be the last chance we have to keep the Gale School in Belmont from being torn down. On Friday, March 4, at 7 p.m., discussion and voting will begin and there are three articles that deal with the historic Gale School.

Article 8 asks the voters to save the Gale School by providing the funds to move the school to Concord Street and do necessary renovations to keep it from further deterioration and ultimately make it into a building that can be used.

Article 9 is similar to Article 8, but asks for less money to do the same work but keep the school in its existing location.

Article 10 asks the voters to provide funds to tear down the school. The most important vote you can make is to vote "no" on Article 10. Whether you are in favor of preserving the Gale

School via Article 8 or 9, you must still vote "no" on Article 10.

I support saving the Gale School for both personal and historic reasons. I suspect that many residents of Belmont feel the same. My children attended classes in the school and I was there frequently enjoying helping out in various ways to support them.

More importantly, the Gale School is a beautiful example of Belmont's historic architecture that should be preserved. The entire building was built using only hand tools. Not too many of those (are) left. Along with the bandstand and the library, the Gale School is a great example of Belmont's continuity and heritage. If it is torn down, it is gone forever.

Please join me in voting "No" on Article 10 and "Yes" on Articles 8 and/ or 9. The rest is up to you.

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