



TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL

RESOLUTION TO FORMALLY DEDICATE PUBLIC PROPERTY FOR USE AS A PUBLIC PARK OR FOR OTHER CONSERVATION PURPOSES AS A PUBLIC LAND TRUST

WHEREAS, The Rhode Island General Assembly, in 2021, enacted legislation entitled "Municipal Public Trust Dedication," whose legislative purpose is to provide a voluntary mechanism for cities and towns to dedicate a park, or other conservation land, as public trust land in perpetuity to ensure preservation of the natural environment and public access to the land for outdoor recreation and to ensure that the land is not converted to a use other than the use for which it was originally obtained, and remains predominantly undeveloped and continues to provide open space benefits to the public, and

WHEREAS, RIGL 45-36.1-3, [the] "Process for municipal declaration of municipal land as public trust land," provides that cities and towns may formally dedicate any property it owns for use as a park or for other conservation purposes as a public trust land, to be perpetually protected from conversion to a use other than the use for which it was originally obtained and development that is inconsistent with its primary purpose as a recreation, open space, and/or natural resource land of the state, and as a natural environment through a duly approved resolution of a city or town council, and

WHEREAS, the North Smithfield Town Council desires to protect, in perpetuity, certain conservation land owned by the town, identified here as North Smithfield Tax Assessor's Plat: 9, Lots: 163 and 165, and North Smithfield Tax Assessor's Plat: 12, Lots: 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 013, 013A, 181 and 256 and further identified on the map entitled "Proposed Conservation Easement Map, North Smithfield RI," and attached hereto as Exhibit 1, and

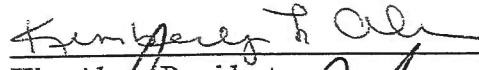
WHEREAS, in accordance with RIGL 45-36.1-4, "Restrictions applicable to municipal public trust land," once a city or town dedicates property as a public trust land, the land shall be perpetually protected from conversion to a use other than the use for which it was originally obtained and development that is inconsistent with its primary purpose as a recreation, open space, and natural resource land of the state and as a natural environment for the people of the state.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD, through passage of this resolution, and in accordance with RIGL 45-36.1-3, that the Town Council hereby formally dedicates the property identified in this resolution for use as a park or for other conservation purposes as a public trust, perpetually protected from conversion to a use other than the use for which it was originally obtained.

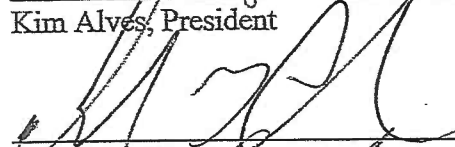
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD, that this resolution shall be recorded in the Town of North Smithfield land evidence records, and that the Town of North Smithfield Tax Assessor shall clearly identify the protected status of the subject lots on the Assessor's field cards and on the chain of title cards, with specific reference to this recorded Town Council Resolution.

This resolution shall take effect upon passage.

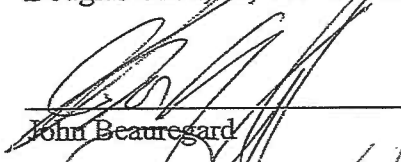
TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF NORTH SMITHFIELD




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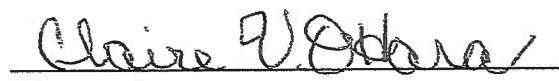
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