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THE CITY OF WARWICK STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

NO..... DATE.....

APPROVED......MAYOR

RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS TO DREDGE WARWICK COVE

Resolved that,

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Warwick are matters of paramount importance to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the coastal water resources of the City are a very important economic engine to the City and have great importance to the City Council and the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the economic impact of recreational boating activity in Rhode Island is some \$227 million annually; and

WHEREAS, the City of Warwick and the State of Rhode Island are dependent on Warwick Cove as valuable sheltered type III waters for recreational boating supported by seven marina facilities; and

WHEREAS, Warwick Cove Warwick Cove was last dredged by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1966 to provide a channel depth of -6 mean low water (MLW) and a mooring field depth of -6' MLW; and

WHEREAS, over the years the channel at the entrance to Warwick Cove has experienced shoaling and may be considered a hazard to navigation; and

WHEREAS, both the Warwick Harbor Plan and approved City of Warwick Comprehensive Plan support dredging of this cove; and

WHEREAS, the shoaling of the channel to a lesser depth than the congressionally authorized depth may result in establishing vulnerabilities that could reduce the number of vessels that Warwick Cove could serve.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby requests that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers fund and undertake maintenance dredging of Warwick Cove and its anchorages to the authorized depth of 6' mean low water (MLW).

1	The City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the U.S. Arm	
2	Corps of Engineers.	
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4	This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.	
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8	SPONSORED BY:	COUNCIL PRESIDENT TRAVIS
9		COUNCILMAN LADOUCEUR
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11	COMMITTEE:	INTERGOVERMENTAL