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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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APPROVED......MAYOR

THE CITY OF WARWICK

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE WARWICK SCHOOL COMMITTEE HIRE AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATOR TO INVESTIGATE AND SUBSEQUENTLY REPORT ON THE COMPLAINTS CONCERNING THE SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES IN THE WARWICK SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Resolved that,

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

WHEREAS, the education of the City of Warwick's youth is especially critical; and,

WHEREAS, special education services, in addition to being vital, are strictly regulated by state and federal law; and,

WHEREAS, members of the public have increasingly raised complaints regarding special education services within the Warwick School Department; and,

WHEREAS, the Warwick Community Outreach Educational Committee has been investigating the complaints regarding special education services in the Warwick School for several months; and,

WHEREAS, the Warwick Community Outreach Educational Committee's investigation has discovered an immense number of complaints and possibly systemic failure in the Warwick School Department's special education services; and,

WHEREAS, the Warwick Community Outreach Educational Committee does not have the access or the funding to adequately investigate further into this matter; and,

WHEREAS, the Warwick Community Outreach Educational Committee believes an independent, impartial, and highly qualified investigator needs to be retained so that this matter can be adequately investigated further.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Warwick City Council hereby requests that the Warwick School Committee retain a independent, impartial, and highly qualified investigator to investigate and subsequently report on special education services in the Warwick School Department and that the Warwick School Department and its agents cooperate with said investigation.

1 2	The City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Warwick School Committee members and to the Superintendent of the Warwick School Department.
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11	COMMITTEE: INTERGOVERMENTAL