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3 4 5	THE CITY OF WARWICK STATE OF RHODE ISLAND		
6	RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL		
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10	APPROVEDMAYOR		
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12	DECOLUTION TO THE CENEDAL ACCEMBLY IN CURROR OF LECICLATION		
13	RESOLUTION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION		
14 15	FUNDING STATE AID TO LIBRARIES AT 25% OF THE LOCAL FUNDS EXPENDED		
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17	Resolved that,		
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19	WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Warwick are		
20	matters of paramount importance to the City Council; and		
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22	WHEREAS, for many people, public libraries are their only means of access to books,		
23	computer services, technology training, and all forms of media essential for fulfilling and		
24	productive lives; and		
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26	WHEREAS, free public libraries are essential to the general enlightenment of citizens in		
27	democracy and provide for the cultural, educational, informational, and research needs of al		
28	citizens; and		
29	WHEDEAC Add to VII of the Constitution of the Coast of Dhe do Island annealles that it		
30 31	WHEREAS, Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Rhode Island provides that it		
32	"shall be the duty of the General Assembly to promote public schools and public libraries, and to adopt all means which it deems necessary and proper to secure to the people the advantages and		
33	opportunities of education and public library services"; and		
34	opportunities of education and public notary services, and		
35	WHEREAS, in recognition of the importance of libraries in our society, the General		
36	Assembly enacted legislation setting state aid to libraries at the twenty-five percent (25%) of the		
37	amount spent from local tax funds and a library's private endowment as prescribed in RIGL §29-		
38	6-2; and		
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40	WHEREAS, the Governor's proposed FY2025 budget funds state aid to libraries at		
41	24.18%, which if enacted would result in \$30,398 less state aid to the City of Warwick than at th		
42	25% level; and		
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44	WHEREAS, the Warwick City Council desires that the State Aid to Libraries be funded at		
45	the 25% level as presented in H 7335 and S 2589.		

1	NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVE	D, that the Warwick City Council hereby	
2	respectfully requests the Rhode Island General A	Assembly to restore funding for State Aid to	
3	Libraries at the twenty-five percent (25%) level presented in H 7335 and S 2589 in the FY2025		
4	budget.		
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6	The City Clerk is hereby directed to	forward a copy of this Resolution to the	
7	Representatives and Senators from the City of Warwick, and the clerks of the House and Senate		
8	Finance Committees.		
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10	This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.		
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13	SPONSORED BY:	COUNCILWOMAN TRAVIS	
14		ON BEHALF OF MAYOR PICOZZI	
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16	COMMITTEE:	INTERGOVERNMENTAL	
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