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3 **THE CITY OF WARWICK**
4 **STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS**

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6 **RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

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8 **NO..... DATE.....**

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10 **APPROVED.....MAYOR**

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12 **OPPOSITION TO RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY BILLS S-2546/H-7900, AN**
13 **ACT RELATING TO AERONAUTICS – AIRPORTS AND LANDING FIELDS –**
14 **AIRPORT ZONING**

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16 **Resolved that,**

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18 WHEREAS, bills S-2547 and H-7900, An Act Relating to Aeronautics- Airports and
19 Landing Fields -Airport Zoning (the "Act") have been introduced in the Rhode Island General
20 Assembly; and

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22 WHEREAS, this Act proposes amendments to Sections 1-2-3, 1-2-3.1 and 1-3-4 of the
23 Rhode Island General Laws to add the terms "approach" and "approach zones" to mean airport
24 land and airspace as defined by the FAA, as well as other amendments; and

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26 WHEREAS, the City of Warwick and many other City’s/Towns host airports and their
27 airport approach zones, As the airports expand so do these approach zones which many times
28 make the preexisting land uses under these approach zones incompatible. The proposal would
29 expand the authority of the Rhode Island Department of Transportation or infer to the locality
30 that these properties be acquired by purchase or condemnation any land or any estate or interest
31 in land, including airspace, that it may deem necessary for a suitable airport, landing field or
32 approach; and

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34 WHEREAS, with the T.F. Green International Airport already occupying over 1100 acres
35 in the center of the City of Warwick the expanded authority would promote even greater tax loss
36 with the “takings” adversely impacting our tax base further degrading the bifurcation of east
37 west circulation in Warwick and negatively impacting private property rights of Warwick’s
38 business owners and taxpayers; and

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40 WHEREAS, the proposed amendments significantly impact our future land use, tax base
41 and transportation system the bills introduced without communication with the host cities and
42 towns that should be required.

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44 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City of Warwick respectfully
45 requests that our delegation in the House and Senate strongly oppose S2547 and H7900.
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, , that the City Clerk send a copy of this Resolution to its
2 Senators and Representatives in the Rhode Island General Assembly, including Senate Majority
3 Leader Michael McCaffrey, Senators Erin Lynch Prata and Mark McKenney, and Representatives
4 Joseph McNamara, David Bennet, Leader K. Joseph Shekarchi, Joseph Solomon, Jr., Camille
5 Vella-Wilkinson, Evan Shanley, and James Jackson, Speaker of the House Nicholas Mattiello,
6 Senate President Dominick Ruggiero, and Governor Gina Raimondo.

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8 This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

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10 SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN SINAPI

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12 COMMITTEE: INTERGOVERNMENTAL
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