

**Bristol Town Council**

**Revised Resolution**

**To the Rhode Island Department of Transportation  
Relative to Maintenance of the Middle Passage Port Marker**

WHEREAS, the Town of Bristol is engaged in the Bristol Middle Passage Port Marker project, proposing to erect a memorial to those victimized by slavery and the Middle Passage in Independence Park; and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate this project, the Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RIDOT) has requested reassurance from the Town that the resulting memorial erected in Independence Park as part of this project shall be maintained at the expense of the Town in a manner consistent with the terms of the 2014 licensing agreement regarding Independence Park (the “Licensing Agreement”);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Bristol hereby provides assurance to RIDOT that the memorial resulting from the Bristol Middle Passage Port Marker project, to be erected in Independence Park, shall be maintained by the Town in a manner not inconsistent with the Licensing Agreement. This maintenance obligation shall not extend to installation, repair, replacement, or removal of the Bristol Middle Passage Marker project. A copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the appropriate personnel at RIDOT by the Town Clerk.

ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Melissa Cordeiro, Council Clerk