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March 15, 2025

Honorable Town Council
Bristol Town Hall
10 Court Street
Bristol, RI 02809

Re: Harbor Commission Advisory Committee

Dear Council Members,

I am a lifelong resident of Bristol who has been enjoying the use of our harbor since I was a child having spent many summers on nearby Hog Island and taking sailing lessons at The Bristol Yacht Club. It was there at the age of ten that I became interested in racing sailing vessels and have continued racing and cruising ever since. The health and use of our harbor has always been a concern of mine and I am interested in seeking ways to preserve and improve its use.

Having sailed locally and to many other parts of the world I have been fortunate to have experienced many different ports and their associated landings as my attached Sailing CV can attest.

As a boat and property owner in the downtown area I am particularly aware of boaters and business needs. Our historic Town has much to offer visitors and residents especially in the downtown area where there are always ways to enhance and improve things. The shared use of these areas by visitors, fishermen, restaurateurs, shop owners and residents are very important to continue the proper use of these assets. Many improvements have already been made and others are in progress but they also must be properly managed.

Therefore, I am hopeful that you will appoint me to the Harbor Advisory Committee where I can share my experiences and ideas to aid the Harbor Commission in improving our precious resources.

Respectfully submitted,
Ray DeLeo

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Personal Information:

D.O.B. May 6, 1954
Height 5' 10"
Health – Excellent
Athletic – Sailing / Tennis / Volleyball

Contact Information:

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Employment:

Gooding Realty Corp. / President & CEO
BankFive / Former Trustee

Current Vessels:

Owner / Master
Baltic 42DP "Leonessa"

Training / Certifications:

USCG MMC Master Lic. #USA000422395 – 100 GRT (Self-Propelled & Aux. Sail)
International Offshore Safety at Sea Hands-On Training Certified (3/18/23)
American Red Cross Adult & Pediatric First Aid, CPR & AED Certified (1/11/23)

Affiliations:

Member: Cruising Club of America	Member: U.S. Sailing - Member #308910T
Member: Bristol Yacht Club	Member: Narragansett Bay Yachting Assoc.
Member: ELKS Club (lodge #1860)	ISAF Classification 1 – Member ID: USARD21

Offshore Racing:

- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2024** – Owner / Master / Baltic 42DP "Leonessa"
- * **Marion / Bermuda Race 2023** – Owner / Master / Baltic 42DP "Leonessa"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2022** – Owner / Master / Baltic 42DP "Leonessa"
- * **Marion / Bermuda Race 2019** – WC / Helm / Baltic 47' "Scarlet"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2018** – WC/Helm/Co-Nav. / Dufour 40e "Milky Way"
Stamford / Vineyard Race 2017 – WC / Helm / Dufour 40e "Milky Way"
- * **Marion / Bermuda Race 2017** – WC / Helm / Baltic 47' "Scarlet"
- * Annapolis / Newport Race 2017 – WC / Helm / Dufour 40e "Milky Way"
Around Long Island Race 2016 – WC/Helm / Dufour 40e "Milky Way"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2016** – WC/Helm/Co-Nav. / Dufour 40e "Milky Way"
- * **Rolex FASTNET Race 2015**– Helm & sail trimmer / Hinckley 42' "Jacqueline IV"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2014** – Helm & sail trimmer / Hinckley 42' "Jacqueline IV"
- * Annapolis / Newport Race 2013 (1st) – Helm & sail trimmer / Hinckley 42' "Jacqueline IV"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2012 (4th)** – Helm & sail trimmer / Hinckley 42' "Jacqueline IV"
- * **Rolex FASTNET Race 2011** – Watch Captain, helm & trimmer / Hinckley 42' "Jacqueline IV"
- * Marblehead/Halifax 2011 – Watch Captain, helm & trimmer / Baltic 55' "First Light"
- * **Marion/Bermuda Race 2011** – Helm, trimmer & bow / Hinckley 51' "Vivaldi"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2010 (3rd)** – Helm, trimmer & bow / Hinckley 42' "Jacqueline IV"
Marblehead / Halifax Race 2009 – Helm & trimmer / Pearson 39' "Nepenthe"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2008 (2nd)** – Watch Captain, helm & trimmer / Baltic 55' "First Light"
- * **Marion / Bermuda Race 2007** – Watch Captain, helm & trimmer / Hinckley 51' "Galileo"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2006** – Watch Captain, helm & trimmer / Baltic 55' "First Light"
Marblehead / Halifax Race 2005 (3rd)–Watch Captain, helm & trimmer /Baltic 55' "First Light"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 2004** – Watch Captain, helm & bow /Baltic 55' "First Light"
Marblehead / Halifax Race 2003 (1st) - Watch Captain, helm & bow /Baltic 55' "First Light"
Annapolis / Newport Race 2003 – Watch Captain, helm & bow /Baltic 55' "First Light"

- Marblehead / Halifax Race 1999 - Watch Captain & helm / Bristol 51' "Adelante"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 1998** – Watch Captain, helm & bow / Baltic 48' "Gezira"
- Marblehead / Halifax Race 1997 - Watch Captain & bow / Baltic 55' "First Light"
- Annapolis / Newport Race 1997 - Watch Captain, helm & bow / Baltic 55' "First Light"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 1996** – sail trimmer & bow / Baltic 42' "Momentum"
- Annapolis / Newport Race 1995 –sail trimmer bow / Baltic 42' "Loose Canon"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 1994 (1st)** - Watch Captain & bow / Baltic 42' "Loose Canon"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 1992** – Bowman & trimmer /Baltic 42' "Loose Canon"
- Marblehead / Halifax Race 1991 - Bowman & trimmer /Baltic 42' "Loose Canon"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 1988** - Bowman / C&C 41' Custom "Banshee"
- **Newport / Bermuda Race 1986** - Bowman / C&C 41' Custom "Banshee"

Various Offshore Passages & Deliveries:

Portland, ME to Bristol, RI – August 2022 Delivery "Artemis" Sabre 38 Master - Will Rogers
 Bermuda to Newport – June 2022 Return delivery post BDA Race Baltic 42DP "Leonessa"
 Ft. Lauderdale, FL to Annapolis, MD – May 2019 Hylas 56' "Blue Thunder"
 Annapolis to Ft. Lauderdale, FL – Nov. 2018 Hylas 56' "Blue Thunder"
 Narragansett Bay to Annapolis, MD – Nov. 2018 Sabre 38 "Artemis"
 Annapolis, MD to Narragansett Bay – June 2018 Baltic 42DP "Leonessa"
 Annapolis, MD to Ft. Lauderdale, FL – Nov. 2017 Hylas 56' "Blue Thunder"
 Portland, ME to Narragansett Bay, RI – Sept. 2016 Sabre 38' "Artemis"
 Stamford, CT to Newport, RI – June 2016 Dufour 40e "Milky Way"
 Annapolis, MD to Ft. Lauderdale, FL – Nov. 2014 Hylas 56' "Blue Thunder"
 Portland, ME to Narragansett Bay, RI – Sept. 2014 Sabre 38' "Artemis"
 Thomaston, ME to Soper's Hole Tortola, BVI – Nov. 2013 Oyster 72' "Cookielicious"
 Pointe-a-Pitre, Guadeloupe to Marsh Harbour, Bahamas – April 2010 Hinckley 51' "Vivaldi"
 Marion, MA to Bermuda – Nov. 2009/Hinckley 51' "Vivaldi"
 Tortola, BVI to Bermuda – Delivery 2007 / Baltic 55' "First Light"
 Norfolk, VA to Newport, RI – Delivery 2002 /Baltic 55' "First Light"
 Morehead City, NC to Ft. Lauderdale, FL - Delivery 2001 /Baltic 55' "First Light"
 Cape May, NJ to Newport, RI - Delivery 1996 / Baltic 42' "Momentum"
 Halifax, NS to Camden, ME - Delivery 1991/ Baltic 42' "Loose Canon"
 Camden, ME to Newport, RI – Delivery 1991 / Baltic 42' "Loose Canon"
 Bermuda to Newport, RI - Delivery 1984 / C&C 41' Custom "Banshee"

Miscellaneous Inshore/Coastal Racing:

2014 Buzzards Bay Regatta, Sail for Hope, Hospice, Leukemia Cup - Owner/Capt. Finn Flyer 31'
 Block Island Race Week 2013 - Owner/Capt. – Finn Flyer 31' "Leonessa"
 Block Island Race 2016 –Helm & Sail Trimmer / Hinckley 42' "Jacqueline IV"
 Baltic 55' Watch Captain, helm & trimmer - 14 years racing & deliveries "First Light"
 Baltic 42' Watch Captain, bowman, trimmer & helm - 5 years racing & deliveries "Loose Canon"
 C&C 41' Custom - bowman & sail trimmer - 6 years racing & deliveries "Banshee"
 Lyman Morse 40' Helm & trimmer - 8 years racing "Mischief"
 Thompson 35' bowman & sail trimmer - 3 years racing & deliveries "Banshee II"
 International 110 crew - 6 years racing experience
 International 505 crew - 2 years racing experience
 J37 sail trimmer & tactics - 3 years racing
 Hospice National Championships – Annapolis, MD 2005 / J105

References:

Murray Jacob

Professional Captain

Various Yachts

Robert S. Forman, Jr.	Owner/Captain	Hinckley 42' SW "Jacqueline IV"
John G. Dunn, Jr.	Former Co-owner	Baltic 55' DP "First Light"
Stefano Pacini	Owner/Captain	Hinckley SW 51' "Galileo"
Gian Luca Fiori	Owner/Captain	Hinckley SW 51' "Vivaldi"
Alexander Natanzon	Owner/Captain	Dufour 40e "Milky Way"
Barry Feldman	Owner/Captain	Baltic 47' "Scarlet"