

RESOLUTION

TO THE HONORABLE RHODE ISLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY REQUESTING AN AMENDMENT TO RIGL TITLE 39, CHAPTER 2 REGARDING THE DUTIES OF PUBILC UTILITIES

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF WARREN AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS: Rhode Island General Laws Title 39, Chapter 2 lists the duties and responsibilities of public utilities; and

WHEREAS: public utilities that own utility poles that are being replaced in Warren have been leaving portions of those poles still standing; and

WHEREAS: those abandoned – and truncated - utility poles are not only unsightly but also pose a hazard to the safety to of the public; and

WHEREAS: public utilities engaging in this practice have not been responsive to requests to fully remove these abandoned and truncated utility poles; and

WHEREAS: an amendment to Rhode Island General Laws Title 39, Chapter 2 is necessary to include full removal of these abandoned poles no later than forty-five (45) days after decommissioning.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF WARREN, RHODE ISLAND AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That the Town Council of the Town of Warren hereby requests that the Honorable General Assembly amend Rhode Island General Laws Title 39, Chapter 2 to include among the duties and responsibilities of public utilities to fully remove poles that have been decommissioned and/or sawed off within forty-five (45) days of decommissioning or otherwise reducing the height of the utility pole.

SECTION 2: THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY UPON ITS PASSAGE BY THE WARREN TOWN COUNCIL.

Attest:

Sandrea J. Speroni, CMC

TOWN CLERK

Dated: 5 -/3-25

Joseph De Pasquale,

TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT

TOWN OF WARREN