

Bristol Town Council

**Resolution
NO. 2024-9-18-H1**

**ADOPTION OF
SOWAMS LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Town Council of Bristol, Rhode Island here by adopts the following land acknowledgement;

Welcome to Sowams, the home of the Pokanoket Tribe for over ten thousand (10,000) years prior to settler colonization.


We acknowledge that our community was a part of the larger ancestral homeland of the Pokanoket Tribe, and we recognize the unique and enduring relationship that exists between Indigenous People and their traditional territories.

As the place of Metacom's Seat, at the base of Potumtuk (Mount Hope), let this acknowledgement serve as a reminder of our ongoing responsibility to recognize, honor and partner with the Pokanoket Tribal people for the benefit of the lands and water of Sowams.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Bristol hereby acknowledge and certify that at a meeting of the Bristol Town Council held on September 18, 2024, being duly noticed and with a quorum present and voting, the aforesaid was adopted.

ADOPTED this 18th day of September, 2024

ATTEST:


Melissa Cordeiro, Council Clerk

