



Town of Bristol, Rhode Island

PROCLAMATION

Be it hereby known to all that:

WHEREAS, **Walter Coelho** has been named "Veteran of the Year 2023" by the Bristol Elks Lodge 1860; and

WHEREAS, **Walter Coelho** has served in the U.S. Army since 1968, assigned to the 75th Engineer Battalion and served as a construction engineer with the 577 Engineer Battalion Company B in the Duc Tran Province during Vietnam; and

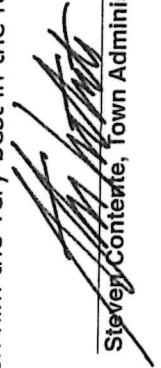
WHEREAS, **Walter Coelho** has distinguished himself as a dedicated volunteer serving on the Bristol Veterans Council, Commander of the DAV Chapter 15, the Bristol Elks Lodge 1860, and volunteering at the Bristol Veterans Home; and

WHEREAS, **Walter Coelho's** unwavering commitment to our nation's armed forces and his steadfast support for fellow veterans are qualities that embody the spirit of selflessness and community service. Through his remarkable service in the United States Military and his continued advocacy for veterans' rights and well-being Walter has exemplified the values that make our nation strong and resilient; and

WHEREAS, **Walter Coelho's** dedication extends far beyond his service in uniform. His tireless efforts to improve the lives of veterans and their families have left an indelible mark on our community.

THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Honorable Town Council and Honorable Town Administrator of the Town of Bristol, State of Rhode Island, by virtue of the authority vested in them by the citizens of Bristol, on their behalf, and by these presents, proudly recognize and honor **Walter Coelho** as the Elks Veteran of the Year. His exemplary service and contributions to our town and country serve as an inspiration to all of us; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said Council and Administrator, in consideration of all of the above, do hereby proclaim congratulations to **Walter Coelho** and his family on the honor bestowed upon him and wish him the very best in the future.


Steven Conforte, Town Administrator

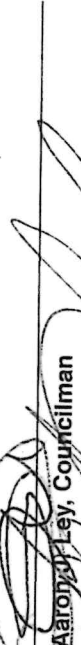
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand and affixed the SEAL of the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island on adoption this 15th day of October 2023


Nathan T. Calouro, Chairman


Mary A. Parella, Vice Chairwoman


Antonio A. Teixeira, Councilman


Timothy E. Sweeney, Councilman


Aaron Levy, Councilman

ATTEST:  Melissa Cordeiro, Town Clerk

