



PETITION TO THE TOWN COUNCIL CLERK'S OFFICE
BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND

To the Honorable Town Council of the Town of Bristol:
The undersigned hereby respectfully request of your
Honorable Body that:

2026 MAY -1 PM 12:41

Melissa Cordeiro
Council Clerk

TO THE HONORABLE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN
OF BRISTOL.

THIS PETITION IS A REQUEST TO FIN THE JAPANESE &
AMERICAN FIRES FOR THE JAPAN-AMERICA SOCIETY AND
BLACK SHIPS FESTIVAL OF RHODE ISLAND, INC. (A 501(C)(3)
ORGANIZATION'S BLACK SHIP FESTIVAL AUGUST 14-16, 2026.
THE BLACK SHIPS FESTIVAL BRINGS IN MONIES FOR LOCAL
BUSINESSES, MERCHANTS, RESTAURANTS & MORE.
NOW CELEBRATING OUR 43RD YEAR & COMMODORE MATTHEW
C PERRY'S IMPORTANCE TO BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND & JAPAN.
THE FESTIVAL FOCUSES ON COMMUNITY, FRIENDSHIP, EDUCATION
OFFERING PERFORMANCES TAIKO DRUMMERS, DEMONSTRATIONS,
VANDORS & FOOD TRUCKS INCLUDING COMMUNITY SERVICE
ORGANIZATIONS. THE SCHEDULE FOR THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL IS:
Friday 8:14 ROCKWELL PARK - OPENING CEREMONY 10A
Friday 8:14 ROCKWELL PARK - TAIKO DRUM / JAZZ PERFORMANCE 6P
Saturday 8:14 INDEPENDENCE PARK - BLACK SHIPS FESTIVAL 10A-3P
IT IS WITH GREAT APPRECIATION JASRI HAS FOR THE TOWN
OF BRISTOL, ITS RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES & MANY OTHERS TO BE
ABLE TO HOST OUR BLACK SHIPS FESTIVAL WITH IN HISTORY IN BRISTOL
Thank you!

PLEASE NOTE:

Petition must be returned by 12:00 noon on the
Friday prior to the Town Council meeting to
appear on the docket of the 6/3/26
meeting for review and possible action, It is
Council policy that action may not be taken on
petitions unless recommendations, if necessary,
from appropriate departments are received prior
to the Council meeting.

DATE RECEIVED: _____

SIGNATURE: Nicole Sarault

NAME: Nicole Sarault

ADDRESS: 75 Union Dr.

TOWN: North Kingstown RI

- Business
- Resider

Petition Signatures

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| ✓ | 1. | Michael Scudom | Michael Scudom |
| ✗ | 2. | Tanner m | Tanner Baker |
| ✗ | 3. | Adrian Fozz | Carlyann Poutray |
| ✗ | 4. | Marym...
Patricia Francis | Maryanne B. Guertin |
| ✓ | 5. | Patricia Francis | Patricia Francis |
| ✓ | 6. | Maria L. Cabral | Maria L. Cabral |
| ✓ | 7. | Anna M. Cabral | Anna M. Cabral |
| 8. | 8. | Brendan Cirillo | Brendan Cirillo |
| 9. | 9. | Ryan | Ryan Matano |
| ✗ | 10. | Hunter Christensen | Hunter Christensen |
| ✗ | 11. | John Bellafarro | John Bellafarro |
| ✓ | 12. | Ann M. Tahna | Ann Tahna Palma |
| 13. | 13. | Paula M. Canale | Paula M. Canale |
| ✗ | 14. | Alyssa Pitcher | Alyssa Pitcher |
| ✓ | 15. | Whitney Squires | WHITNEY SQUIRES |
| ✓ | 16. | Paula M. Canale | Paula M. Canale |
| ✓ | 17. | Carla M. DaCosta | Carla DaCosta |
| ✓ | 18. | Lisa Marshall | Lisa Marshall |
| ✓ | 19. | Katelyn Rensehausen | Katelyn Rensehausen |
| ✗ | 20. | Kenya C. Caetano | Kenya Caetano |
| ✗ | 21. | Rachel Heskett | R. Heskett |
| ✓ | 22. | Robin Perry | Robin Perry |
| ✓ | 23. | Kathleen D. Bazinet | Kathleen D. Bazinet |
| ✓ | 24. | Elizabeth Dyer | Elizabeth Dyer |
| ✓ | 25. | Kimberly Averill | Kimberly Averill |
| ✓ | 26. | Lois Pink | Lois Pink |
| ✓ | 27. | Gunnar Cunha | Gunnar Cunha |
| ✓ | 28. | Patricia Whiskey | Patricia Whiskey |
| ✗ | 28. | Mia Schriener | Mia Schriener |
| ✗ | 30. | Hector Acosta | Hector Acosta |

Petition Signatures

- ✓ 1. Delanie Cairrao Delanie Cairrao
- ✓ 2. ~~Sat~~ SABRINA LOUREIRO
- ✓ 3. ~~Casey Ruth Little~~ CASEY RUTH LITTLE
- ✓ 4. ~~Maria CBB~~ MARIA CBB
- ✓ 5. ~~Mama Raposo~~ mama Raposo
- ✗ 6. ~~Max Doherty~~ Max Doherty
- ✓ 7. ~~Adriano Teixeira~~ Adriano Teixeira
- ✗ 8. ~~Enni Asutu~~ Enni Asutu
- ✓ 9. ~~Katya Mota~~
- ✓ 10. ~~Peter Sansone~~ Peter Sansone
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MEMORANDUM

Date: May 12, 2026

To: Honorable Town Council

From: Melissa Cordeiro
COUNCIL CLERK

Re: Nicole Sarault, The Japan American Society of Rhode Island, request to fly Japanese Flag during the 43rd Anniversary of the Black Ship's Festival at Independence Park on August 14-16, 2026



Please be advised that the Board of Canvassers office has reviewed the petition signatures for the Portuguese Flag raising ceremony request. The Board of Canvassers has determined that the above-mentioned petition is in receipt of 25 qualified voters as required by the Bristol Public Request Flag Policy adopted in 2020 and amended in 2023.

Thank you for your attention on this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.