RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF TIVERTON

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF H-7292, H-7293, AND H-7372 RELATING TO LAND USE, HOUSING, AND ZONING IN TIVERTON

RESOLUTION 2026-0004

WHEREAS, House Bill 2026-H-7292 has been introduced in the General Assembly to amend the Rhode Island Comprehensive Planning and Land Use Act definitions, including provisions related to comprehensive permits in watershed overlay protection areas to protect water resources statewide; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 2026-H-7293 has been introduced in the General Assembly to amend the comprehensive housing production and rehabilitation strategy addressing housing needs for workers, seniors, students, low-income families, and vulnerable populations including homeless individuals and those with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 2026-H-7372 has been introduced in the General Assembly to amend statewide inclusionary zoning requirements for affordable housing, specifying that at least 15% of units in developments exceeding ten units must be affordable for thirty years, with density bonuses and alternative compliance methods available; and

WHEREAS, each of these bills is specifically designed to address issues unique to the Town of Tiverton, with a focus on managing land use to protect critical environmental areas, enhancing housing resources for the most vulnerable populations, and ensuring affordable housing development continues to grow.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Tiverton does hereby support House Bills H-7292, H-7293, H-7372, and the appropriate R.I. Senate companions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk transmit forthwith a copy of this Resolution to the Governor and to the members of Tiverton's legislative delegation in the Rhode Island General Assembly.

This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

Passed as a Resolution of the Tiverton Town Council this 9th of February, 2026

ATTEST: Joan Chabot Town Clerk

INTRODUCED BY: Council President John Edwards V