

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF TIVERTON

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF H 8181 RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- THE RHODE ISLAND BRIDGE REPLACEMENT, RECONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE FUND -- EXEMPTIONS FROM TOLLING FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT VEHICLES

RESOLUTION 2026-0007

WHEREAS, House Bill 2026-H-8181 has been introduced in the General Assembly to amend Section 42-13.1-4 of the General Laws in Chapter 42-13.1 entitled "The Rhode Island Bridge Replacement, Reconstruction, and Maintenance Fund" to include an exemption for trucks engaged in waste management collection at the central landfill from tolls operated by the R.I. Turnpike and Bridge authority; and

WHEREAS, this Bill will allow trucks engaged in essential waste management to operate unburdened by tolls implemented by the State in support of necessary public services, and

WHEREAS, exempting trucks engaged in waste management from tolls owed to the state shifts costs away from taxpayers and local ratepayers by preventing toll expenses from being passed through municipal waste contracts or fees; and

WHEREAS, ensuring continued and reliable waste management services safeguards Tiverton residents who rely on those essential waste management services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Tiverton does hereby support House Bill H-8181 and the appropriate R.I. Senate companion.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Clerk transmits 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 March, 2026

ATTEST: Joan Chabot Town Clerk

INTRODUCED BY: Council President John Edwards V