TOWN OF TIVERTON, RI RESOLUTION NO. 2023-0009

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF TIVERTON REGARDING THE RESTORATION OF GENERAL REVENUE SHARING TO CITIES AND TOWNS

WHEREAS, Cities and Town across Rhode Island have been struggling with the recent inflationary environment; and

WHEREAS, in 2009 the General Assembly discontinued revenue sharing due to the economic collapse; and

WHEREAS, the removal of the General Revenue sharing forced the Cities and Towns to increase property taxes to make up for this loss in revenue; and

WHEREAS, the State of Rhode has seen a very good rebound from the economic crisis brought on by the COVID Pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the past 2 fiscal years the State of Rhode Island has benefitted from the economic rebound with \$417 and \$878 million respectively and an anticipated \$600 million surplus for FY 2023; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council respectfully requests the Rhode Island General Assembly and Governor reinstate General Revenue Sharing for all 39 Cities and Towns to help reduce the impact of inflation on the citizens of Rhode Island; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Council respectfully requests the respective City and Town Councils of Rhode Island join in our request to have the General Assembly restore general revenue in the upcoming FY 2024 budget.

Adopted this 8th day of May 2023.

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