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Bristol Warren Regional School Committee
Resolution In Support of Extension of School Construction Deadline
As Outlined in 2023 - S 0454 H 5792

WHEREAS: the health, safety, and educational welfare of students and staff of Bristol Warren Regional School District are matters of paramount importance to the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee; and

WHEREAS: in 2022, the General Assembly enacted, and the voters of the Towns of Warren and Bristol approved, an act authorizing the municipality to issue bonds to finance the construction, renovation, and improvement of schools and adjacent facilities; and

WHEREAS: Rhode Island General Law § 16-7-39 provides housing aid reimbursement to municipalities and school districts for school housing construction; and

WHEREAS: State law currently provides for increases in state housing aid as incentives to promote specific goals in connection with the construction and renovation of schools; and

WHEREAS: such incentives are available only for school housing projects that are commenced not later than December 2023; and

WHEREAS: Senator Louis DiPalma has introduced 2023 - S 0454, and Representative Terri Denise Cortvriend has introduced 2023 - H 5792 that amend the eligibility date for the computation of school housing aid from December 2023, to June 2024; and

WHEREAS: The communities of Barrington, Bristol Warren, Central Falls, Coventry, Cranston, Cumberland, East Greenwich, East Providence, Foster, Jamestown, Johnston, Lincoln, Middletown, New Shoreham, North Kingstown, North Providence, Pawtucket, Portsmouth, Providence, South Kingstown, Tiverton, Warwick, Westerly, West Warwick, Westerly, and Woonsocket would qualify for additional housing aid as a result of changing the eligibility date from December 2023 to June 2024; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Bristol Warren Regional School Committee hereby respectfully requests the General Assembly to enact 2023- S 0454 and 2023 - H 5792, extending the eligibility date for the computation of school housing aid from December 2023 to June 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Honorable K. Joseph Shekarchi, Speaker of the Rhode Island House Representatives, the Honorable Dominick J. Ruggerio, President of the Rhode Island Senate, and the Honorable Daniel McKee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island.

The RESOLUTION shall take effect upon passage.

WHEREBY: The following bear witness:


Nichola Piper, Chairperson


Witness - School Committee Clerk

5/22/2023
Date Passed by the School Committee

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