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January 17, 2025 Nicholas Toth, Historic District Commission Coordinator Historic District Commission 235 High Street Bristol, RI, 02809

Dear Nicholas Toth & Historic District Commission:

On behalf of our clients Elena Bao and Heath Robbins, JHL would like to submit our design for 19 Byfield Street (Plat 14, Lot 67) for a review by the Commission for a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Per the request of the Bristol Zoning Board of Ordinances, the initial addition size was lessened and the previously proposed garage and pergola have been removed in order to lessen the impact of the new design on the site while also providing the least relief necessary.

The scope of the project will be the construction of a new 1 ½ story, 839 SF addition in the rear yard, off of the northern face of the existing house with a new stone patio in the rear yard as well. The addition will be clad with 5" cedar shakes, matching the material of the existing house. All windows and doors will be of the Marvin Elevate series with an insulated wood interior and Ultrex fiberglass exterior (for protection from the mineral-rich sea air), painted white to match the windows on the existing house. All window and detail trim will be constructed of Accoya pine wood, all painted white. The roof will be composed of GAF roofing shingles in gray to match the look of the existing roofs, with a square, acre board cupola (painted white) and painted plywood roof at the center of the new hip roof.

Work on the existing house will only include the removal of the two-wide double-hung window on the first floor of the eastern face, replaced by a single double-hung window in an effort to restore the previous symmetrical look on that side.

The design will also include the restoration of the existing Carriage House on the northwest corner of the site, including the improvement of the overall dilapidated structure/supports and the restoration of the existing clapboard siding. In addition to these improvements, four new double-hung windows will be added to the west and south faces (symmetrical), with an additional octagonal window over the new entry door to mirror the character of the west face of the existing home. New 4' wide, outswing double carriage doors will be added in the location of the current worn overhead garage door on the eastern face of the structure with new standing seam metal overhang roofs (painted gray) above the eastern carriage doors and southern entry doors.

Site work will include a new smaller driveway of permeable materials and a low stone retaining wall along the property line of the southeast corner of the site to aid with the current eroding taking place along the edge of the sidewalk.

With these improvements and new updated design, we respectfully ask for the commission's considered approval and granting of a Certificate of Appropriateness.

Sincerely,

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