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TOWN OF BRISTOL, RHODE ISLAND
OFFICE OF TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

STEVEN CONTENTE
Town Administrator

November 22, 2023

Honorable Bristol Town Council
10 Court Street
Bristol, RI 02809

Re: 2024 Recommendation for Tree Warden

Dear Honorable Members of the Bristol Town Council,

I wish to offer a letter of recommendation for the re-appointment of Bristol Tree Warden, Steven L. Saracino. Mr. Saracino has been the Tree Warden for the past 6 years. He has worked with the Department of Community Development and Department of Public Works to increase the number of trees planted each year. He has played an integral role in increasing the number and diversity of native trees planted and has been a good steward for the care and maintenance of Bristol's public trees. He has been successful in coordinating with the RI Department of Transportation and RI Energy to successfully complete the Emerald Ash Borer remediation program to ensure public safety and help to stop the spread of an invasive species. He has also coordinated applications of preventative treatments. Mr. Saracino demonstrates effective communication and follow-up with residents. A letter of thanks given to Mr. Saracino by a resident can be found attached.

I recommend that Steven Saracino be reappointed to serve as the Tree Warden for 2024.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steven Contente".

Steven Contente
Town Administrator

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