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MEMORANDUM

Date: April 10, 2023

To: Honorable Town Council

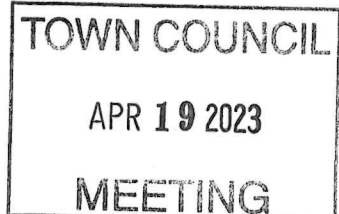
From: Melissa Cordeiro
COUNCIL CLERK

RE: Proposed ordinance amendment to replace the term
"handicap" with "accessible disability" in the current
ordinance

I am bringing to your attention a proposed ordinance amendment that aims to replace the term "handicap" with "accessible disability" in the current ordinance. The proposed amendment seeks to reflect more appropriate and respectful nomenclature when referring to individuals with disabilities.

The amendment intends to ensure that the language used in the ordinance aligns with current standards of inclusivity and sensitivity.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.



ORDINANCE No. 2023-__

AN ORDINANCE IN AMENDMENT TO
CHAPTER 16
OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE BRISTOL TOWN CODE

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED by the Town Council of Bristol, Rhode Island, that Chapter 16 of the Ordinances of the Town of Bristol be amended as follows:

CHAPTER 16
MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

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ARTICLE V
STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING

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Sec. 16-148. - ~~Handicapped~~ Accessible Disability parking.

- (a) No person, other than an ~~ambulatory handicapped disabled~~ person as defined by RIGL 1956, § 31-28-7, shall park a vehicle in a parking space designated for the ~~handicapped~~ Accessible Disability. All ~~handicapped~~ Accessible Disability parking areas shall be designated by suitable and conspicuous signs and are tow-away zones.
- (b) ~~Handicapped~~ Accessible Disability parking restrictions adopted by the town council shall not be printed in this Code, but shall be kept on file in the town clerk's office. The town clerk shall maintain a list of all ~~handicapped~~ Accessible Disability parking restrictions approved by the town council.
- (c) All amendments to the list of ~~handicapped~~ Accessible Disability parking restrictions shall be made by resolution of the town council; provided however, that no such resolution shall be adopted at the meeting at which it is introduced but shall, rather, be referred to a subsequent regular or special meeting at least seven days thereafter for a vote.
- (d) All areas designated as ~~handicapped~~ Accessible Disability parking spaces pursuant to this chapter as of the date of enactment of this section shall remain in full force and effect and be filed with the town clerk's office.

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This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.