

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**  
**TOWN OF HOPKINTON**

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING PARITY IN AMBULANCE SERVICE**  
**REIMBURSEMENTS FOR SERVICES PROVIDED**  
**ON STATE-OWNED PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS:** The Town of Hopkinton is committed to providing high-quality emergency medical services (hereinafter "EMS") to all residents, visitors, and individuals within its jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS:** The Town's ambulance service responds to emergencies occurring on both municipal and state-owned properties within Hopkinton; and

**WHEREAS:** Ambulance services provided on municipal and private property are eligible for reimbursement through established billing mechanisms, including Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance; and

**WHEREAS:** Ambulance services provided on certain state-owned properties are subject to reimbursement limitations, restrictions, or inconsistencies that result in reduced or unavailable compensation to the Town; and

**WHEREAS:** These disparities create an inequitable financial burden on the Town and its taxpayers, who must absorb the cost of unreimbursed emergency medical services; and

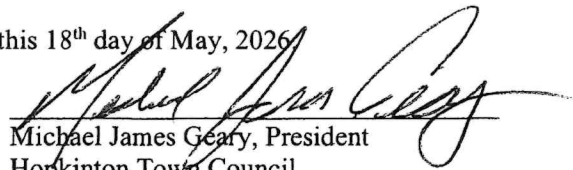
**WHEREAS:** The provision of EMS is a critical public safety function that should be supported equitably regardless of the location of the emergency within the Town; and

**WHEREAS:** Achieving parity in ambulance reimbursements would ensure the sustainability of EMS operations and maintain the Town's ability to respond effectively to emergencies across all properties.

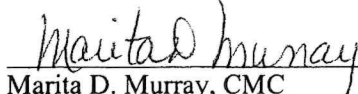
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Town of Hopkinton respectfully urges the State of Rhode Island and its relevant agencies to establish policies and mechanisms that ensure full and equitable reimbursement for ambulance services provided on state-owned property, consistent with reimbursements for services provided elsewhere within the Town; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the Town calls upon state legislators representing Hopkinton to advocate for legislative and administrative changes necessary to achieve such parity.

Passed as a Resolution of the Hopkinton Town Council this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026

  
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Michael James Geary, President  
Hopkinton Town Council

ATTEST:

  
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Marita D. Murray, CMC  
Town/Council Clerk