



Town of Bristol, Rhode Island

PROCLAMATION

GENOCIDE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

Be it hereby known to all that: **WHEREAS**, genocide has occurred throughout history, resulting in the loss of millions of lives and leaving lasting impacts on communities around the world; and

WHEREAS, the Armenian Genocide of 1915 stands as one of the first modern genocides, in which 1.5 million Armenians were systematically persecuted and killed; and

WHEREAS, these atrocities serve as powerful reminders of the dangers of hatred, prejudice, discrimination, and indifference; and


WHEREAS, remembrance of past genocides honors the victims and survivors while reinforcing our shared responsibility to ensure that such events are never repeated; and

WHEREAS, education and public awareness are essential tools in recognizing early warning signs and preventing future acts of genocide; and

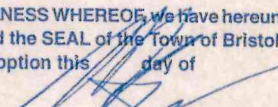
WHEREAS, the Town of Bristol is committed to fostering a community grounded in inclusion, respect, and the protection of human rights for all people;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island, does hereby proclaim April 2026 as **Genocide Awareness and Prevention Month**, in memory of the victims of the Armenian Genocide, the Artsakh conflict and related atrocities, the Holocaust, and all other genocides; and in honor of survivors, rescuers, and liberators; and

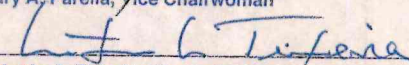
FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town of Bristol reaffirms its commitment to promoting human dignity, standing against hatred, and confronting genocide, discrimination, and injustice wherever and whenever they occur.


Steven Contente, Town Administrator

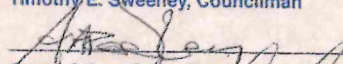
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hand and affixed the SEAL of the Town of Bristol, Rhode Island on adoption this _____ day of _____



Nathan T. Calouro, Chairman


Mary A. Parella, Vice Chairwoman


Antonio A. Teixeira, Councilman

Timothy E. Sweeney, Councilman


Aaron J. Ley, Councilman

ATTEST: 
Melissa Cordeiro, Town Clerk

