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Burrillville Town Council Resolution In support of the Blackstone River Watershed Needs Assessment Report

- WHEREAS, The Blackstone River spans forty-eight miles from Massachusetts to Rhode Island, its watershed includes thirty nine communities, and its watershed health is vital to the ecology, economy, and history of our region; and
- WHEREAS, Despite significant progress, there is much more to do to assure a healthier and more resilient Blackstone River Watershed over the next 50 years to continue to address its industrial past, ongoing urbanization, and the impact of climate change; and
- WHEREAS, The Blackstone Watershed Collaborative through work with stakeholders and the Narragansett Bay Estuary Program developed 20 recommended Priority Actions to improve resiliency and water quality in the Blackstone River Watershed; and
- WHEREAS, The Town of Burrillville recognizes the importance and value of these recommendations and supports the Blackstone Watershed Collaborative to implement them; and
- WHEREAS, The Town of Burrillville will continue to work collaboratively with the Blackstone Watershed Collaborative and its partners on these initiatives to preserve the health and resilience of the river and its watershed for generations to come.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that he Town of Burrillville supports the Blackstone River Watershed Needs Assessment Report and the Blackstone Watershed Collaborative, appreciates the efforts of all the groups involved in its creation and continued maintenance, and intends to include these priority actions into local municipal goals, as relevant, such as open space and climate resiliency planning.

Adopted as a resolution this 23rd day of March 2022.

Donald A. Fox, President Burrillville Town Council

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