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Burrillville Town Council

In Support of Fiscal Year 2024 proposed Infrastructure Funds

- WHEREAS, municipalities have seen an influx of federal aid to support our economic recovery from COVID-19, those funds are intended to support our communities through the new challenges they are facing; and
- WHEREAS, federal stimulus funds have allowed communities to make progress but are far short of the investments needed to accommodate a new influx of housing; and
- WHEREAS, as the state looks to increase housing stock, cities and towns will need infrastructure to respond to population growth; and
- WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2022 and fiscal year 2023, approximately \$3.5 million was allocated to the Municipal Infrastructure Grant program, for the first time since the program was established in 2017; and
- WHEREAS, in the first round of funding proposals, 17 municipalities requested almost \$8.5 million dollars from this program across 24 project proposals; and
- WHEREAS, many communities are interested in securing Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA) funds but are lacking matching funds to be seen as competitive nationally.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Town Council of Burrillville strongly encourages the General Assembly to approve the fiscal year 2024 proposed Municipal Roads Program for \$20.0 million so cities and towns can complete road, sidewalk, and bridge projects.

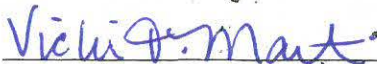
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Council of Burrillville strongly encourages the General Assembly to identify an annual source of funding for the Municipal Roads Program similar to Massachusetts's "Chapter 90" program.

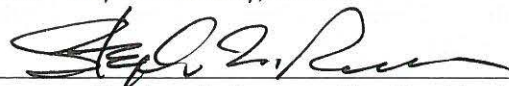
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Council of Burrillville strongly encourages the General Assembly to approve the FY 2024 proposed Municipal Infrastructure Matching Pool for \$5.5 million to support municipalities applying for IIJA funds, but lack local matching funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Town Council of Burrillville strongly encourages the General Assembly to support municipal infrastructure and resilience projects by allocating \$30.0 million to the Municipal Infrastructure Grant program for two years as it is critical to expanding the housing stock across the state.

Passed as a resolution of the Burrillville Town Council this 22nd day of February, 2023.

ATTEST:


Vicki T. Martin, Town Clerk


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