



# Town of Narragansett

Rhode Island

Resolution No. 2026-03



## A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL H-7571 AND SENATE BILL S-2176 CREATING A SPECIAL REGISTRATION PLATE FOR THE FRIENDS OF THE HISTORIC NARRAGANSETT TOWERS

**WHEREAS**, the Narragansett Towers are an important historic and cultural landmark in the Town of Narragansett; and

**WHEREAS**, the Friends of the Historic Narragansett Towers is a nonprofit group dedicated to preserving and supporting this landmark; and

**WHEREAS**, the Rhode Island General Assembly is considering legislation that would allow the Division of Motor Vehicles to create a special license plate to support the Friends of the Historic Narragansett Towers; and

**WHEREAS**, this legislation would allow the organization to design the plate with the DMV and would require the group to meet the state's minimum order and prepayment requirements before the plates can be produced; and

**WHEREAS**, the legislation includes a \$40 surcharge for the new plate, with \$20 going to the State's general fund and \$20 going to the Friends of the Historic Narragansett Towers to support programs and preservation efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, a \$10 surcharge on yearly renewals would also go to the Friends of the Historic Narragansett Towers; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds the organization receives must be used for Rhode Island-based charitable purposes, with annual reporting required.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town Council of the Town of Narragansett hereby expresses its full support for House Bill H-7571 and Senate Bill S-2176 which proposes the enactment of Rhode Island General Laws §31-3-132 establishing a special motor vehicle registration plate for the Friends of the Historic Narragansett Towers.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town Council urges the Rhode Island General Assembly to approve this legislation in recognition of the cultural, historical, and economic value the Towers provide to the community and the State.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the members of the Narragansett delegation to the Rhode Island General Assembly, the Governor of the State of Rhode Island, the Administrator of the Division of Motor Vehicles, and the Friends of the Historic Narragansett Towers.

Adopted this 16<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026. contingent upon the administrative approval of the paperwork restoring the status as a nonprofit.

ATTEST:

TOWN OF NARRAGANSETT

Town Clerk  
Sarah Masson, CMC

Alexander T. Menzies  
Council President

