

Town of South Kingstown, Rhode Island

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

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March 13, 2024

Senator Bridget Valverde 14 Cambridge Court North Kingstown, RI 02852

Dear Senator Valverde:

At its meeting held on March 11, 2024 the South Kingstown Town Council considered a request from Council Vice President Michael Marran seeking support for House Bill H 7688 and Senate Bill S2343 entitled An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government — Tourism and Development pending in the General Assembly that would redirect hotel tax revenues for the benefit of South County Tourism Council.

After discussion of the purpose and scope of these bills, the Town Council voted to support this legislation to redistribute the five percent (5%) hotel tax to the South County tourism district in which the hotel or residential unit is located.

We request that you support passage of this legislation in the 2024 session of the General Assembly.

A copy of the Town Council resolution is enclosed for your reference. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

Susan M. Flynn, CMC

Town Clerk

Enclosures

CC:

Town Manager

South County Tourism Council



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At a REGULAR SESSION of the Town Council of the Town of South Kingstown, County of Washington, in the State of Rhode Island, held at Town Hall, in and for said Town on the 11th day of March A.D., 2024 at 7:30 PM.

PRESENT: Rory H. McEntee, President

Michael K. Marran, Vice President

Patricia A. Alley Deborah D. Bergner **Charles Gregory Sweet**

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED: to authorize that a letter be sent to the General Assembly in support of House Bill H 7688 and Senate Bill S2343 entitled An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government - Tourism and Development pending in the General Assembly that would redirect hotel tax revenues for the benefit of South County Tourism Council, as requested by Council Vice President Marran.

A TRUE COPY

Susan M. Flynn, Town Clerk