## TOWN OF SCITUATE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND 25-07

## RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN THE ABILITY TO GRANT A THIRD CLASS A LIQUOR RETAIL SALES LICENSE

- WHEREAS, The Town Council of the Town of Scituate pursuant to Rhode Island statute is vested with the authority of administering the affairs of the Town and the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Town of Scituate are matters of paramount importance to the Town Council; and
- WHEREAS, The Town Council desires to facilitate economic development in the Town; however, the unique geography of the Town due to the size and expanse of the reservoir imposes travel burdens upon the residents of the Town, and impedes economic development in the southern areas of the Town; and
- WHEREAS, Pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws § 3-5-16, Maximum Number of Licenses, the Town's population of 10,384 residents, per the last census, limits the number of Class A Liquor Retail Sales Licenses to a total of two licenses; and
- WHEREAS, The Town Council has received requests from its citizens for the Town to grant up to three Class A Liquor Retail Licenses; and
- WHEREAS, the General Assembly has made exception to the limitations imposed by Rhode Island General Laws § 3-5-16 for other municipalities; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council of the Town of Scituate hereby requests the General Assembly authorize the Town of Scituate the ability to grant a third Class A Liquor License by amending Rhode Island General Laws § 3-5-16, as follows: "(e) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section, irrespective of the population of the Town of Scituate, it is expressly authorized to issue a total of three (3) Class A liquor licenses.".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Town Council President and the Town Clerk are authorized to take any and all further actions necessary consistent with these Resolutions.

This RESOLUTION shall take effect upon the date hereof.

By Order of the Scituate Town Council

Charles Collins, Jr., President

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereby attach my hand and the official seal of the Town of Scituate this 8th day of May, 2025.

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Margaret M. Long, Town Clerk