RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL

No.2022-41

A RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NEWPORT AND THE TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN TO ESTABLISH A REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND PROVIDING FOR STATE AID FOR SCHOOL HOUSING COSTS OF AT LEAST 80% OF DEBT SERVICE FOR EXPENDITURES ELIGIBLE FOR STATE AID

WHEREAS,

the City Council of the City of Newport endorses and supports the introduction and enactment legislation authorizing the City of Newport and the Town of Middletown to establish a regional school district and providing for state aid for school housing costs of at least 80% of debt service for expenditures eligible for state aid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED:

that the City of Newport hereby memorializes the General Assembly to enact legislation authorizing the City of Newport and the Town of Middletown to establish a regional school district and providing for state aid for school housing costs of at least 80% of debt service for expenditures eligible for state aid, provided that such legislation would become effective only if approved by a majority of the qualified voters of the City of Newport and a majority of the qualified voters of the Town of Middletown. AND BE IT **FURTHER**

RESOLVED:

that the City Solicitor, working with the City Manager, ensure that the appropriate legislation in substantially the form attached hereto is submitted in a timely manner to the Rhode Island General Assembly to ensure that all requirements are met to ensure consideration of this question by the voters.

AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED:

this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

IN COUNCIL READ AND PASSED MAY 16, 2022

Laura C. Swistak

City Clerk