

THE CITY OF NEWPORT

RESOLUTION

OF THE

COUNCIL

No. 2024-04

RESOLUTION TO JOIN THE TOWN OF JAMESTOWN IN SUPPORT OF THE
REQUEST TO RIDEM FOR
THE SOUTH GOULD ISLAND PUBLIC RECREATION PLAN

WHEREAS: The City Council of the City of Newport requests that the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management develop a Plan to provide public recreation on the southernmost 16.9 acres of Gould Island, as described in the attached Jamestown Town Council Resolution 2022-14, dated November 8, 2022; AND

WHEREAS: The Rhode Island Federal Delegation has expressed willingness to seek Federal funding for development of public recreation on South Gould Island, subject to the development of an acceptable Plan from RIDEM and the Town of Jamestown and subject to the demonstration of public support for the Plan within Rhode Island; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED: The City Council of Newport joins Jamestown in advocating for the use of 16.9 acres of Gould Island for public recreation; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED: The City Council of Newport joins Jamestown in requesting that the R.I. Department of Environmental Management create a Narragansett Bay Islands park system development plan and budget that cost in 2025, create a plan to open Gould Island for public access and ask R.I. Department of Environmental Management to encourage the Army Corps of Engineers to include year-round occupation of Gould Island in their hazard analysis and risk mitigation strategy; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED: That the City Clerk submit a copy of this Resolution to the City of Newport's Legislative Delegation, the Speaker of the House Representatives, the President of the Senate and every Rhode Island municipality.

NEWPORT CITY COUNCIL

IN COUNCIL
READ AND PASSED
FEBRUARY 14, 2024

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura C. Swistak, CMC". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

LAURA C. SWISTAK, CMC
CITY CLERK