

**Resolution of the Town of New Shoreham, Rhode Island
In Honor of U.S. Representative James Langevin**

November 16, 2022

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WHEREAS, James R. Langevin was born in Providence to Richard and Judy Langevin and graduated from Bishop Hendricken High School. He then attended Rhode Island College from which he received an undergraduate degree and served as president of Student Community Government. He also earned a Master of Public Administration from Harvard's Kennedy School of Government.

WHEREAS, Mr. Langevin's first experience in politics was when he was elected to the state's 1986 constitutional convention and was named its secretary.

WHEREAS, Mr. Langevin was first elected a member of the Rhode Island General Assembly in 1988 and served until 1994 when he successfully ran for Secretary of State.

WHEREAS, Mr. Langevin served as Rhode Island's Secretary of State for six years and was known for his ethical leadership and advocacy for disadvantaged Rhode Islanders.

WHEREAS, Mr. Langevin was first elected to Congress representing Rhode Island's Second Congressional District in 2000. While in Congress he served on the Committee on Armed Services and its subcommittees: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces; Subcommittee on Strategic Forces; Subcommittee on Intelligence; Emerging Threats and Capabilities (Chair) and the Committee on Homeland Security and its subcommittees: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection; and Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications.

WHEREAS, Mr. Langevin has always been a strong advocate for health care reform. In May 2009, he introduced the American Health Benefits Program Act of 2009, He has been a staunch advocate for expansion of federal funding of embryonic stem cell research.

WHEREAS, Mr. Langevin may be best known for his interest in cybersecurity, long before it was a known threat and led the way by proposing an amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act in 2012 that would account for the cyber risks the U.S. faces in terms of national security.

WHEREAS, Mr. Langevin has been an advocate and a role model for people with disabilities and was the first quadriplegic to serve in Congress. On July 26, 2010, Langevin became the first member of Congress to preside over the House of Representatives while using a wheelchair.

WHEREAS, Mr. Langevin has traveled to Block Island many times over the years and has been a vocal advocate for important issues to the island including preservation of our historic properties; environmental protection; and support for small business.

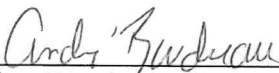
WHEREAS, Mr. Langevin has served with distinction in an honorable political career.

Now, therefore be it resolved, that this New Shoreham Town Council hereby honors James R. Langevin for his service to our town, our state and our country; and;


Be it further resolved, that the New Shoreham Town Clerk be and hereby is authorized and directed to transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable James R. Langevin and;

Be it further resolved, the New Shoreham Town Clerk be and hereby is authorized and directed to transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor of the State of Rhode Island and that we decree that this resolution be made part of the permanent record of the Town.

Witness our hands and seal this 16th day of November, 2022.



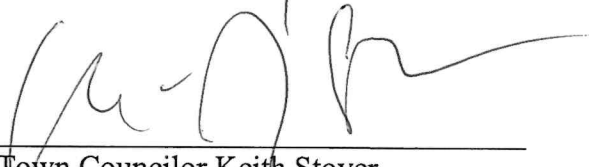
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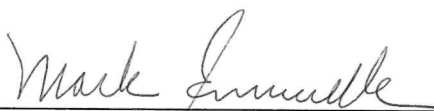
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Town Councilor Martha Ball



Town Councilor Keith Stover



Town Councilor Mark Emmanuelle



Attest: Town Clerk Millicent McGinnes