

CITY OF NEWPORT

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
COUNCIL**

No. 2017-99

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING PETITIONS CREATING THE NEWPORT TOURISM
MARKETING MANAGEMENT DISTRICT AND NEWPORT TOURISM MARKETING
MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**

- WHEREAS: The Newport City Council ("Council"), pursuant to R.I.G.L. Title 45, Chapter 59 (District Management Authorities Act or "Act"), has the authority to establish management districts and district management authorities within the City of Newport ; AND
- WHEREAS: The Council has received Petitions submitted by persons who own real property located within a proposed management district seeking the creation of the Newport Tourism Marketing Management District ("District") and the Newport Tourism Marketing Management District Management Authority ("Authority"), copies of said Petitions are attached and made part of this Resolution; AND
- WHEREAS: Said Petitions are signed by owners of more than sixty (60%) percent of the aggregate assessed valuation of all real property not exempt from taxation by law to be included in the proposed management district which includes all non-timeshare lodging properties with twenty (20) rooms or more within the proposed boundaries of the District as shown on the map made part of the Petition.
- WHEREAS: The Act allows municipalities as defined, including the City of Newport, to create by ordinance or resolution management districts and district management authorities for the purpose of providing services and the undertaking of activities described in the Act to supplement services provided by municipal governments; AND
- WHEREAS: The Council does find with respect to the Petitions filed that:
- (1) The Petitions have been submitted by persons who own real property located within the proposed district constituting in the aggregate sixty (60%) percent of the aggregate assessed valuation of all real property not exempt from taxation by law; AND
 - (2) A majority of the area of the land located within the proposed district is devoted to commercial and retail uses; AND

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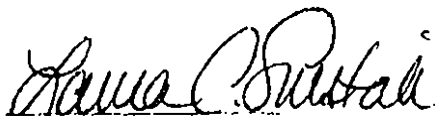
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- WHEREAS: The Tax Collector for the City of Newport, pursuant to Section 45-59-17 will collect a special tax assessment made by the Newport Tourism Marketing Management Authority and will charge an administrative fee of three (3%) percent for said services; AND
- WHEREAS: The Newport City Council finds that it is in the best interests of the residents of the City of Newport to grant the Petitions to establish the District and the Authority; AND
- WHEREAS: The Authority shall be authorized to oversee the operations of the Newport Tourism Marketing Management District; NOW THEREFORE BE IT
- RESOLVED: The Council hereby approves the Petitions and does hereby create the Newport Tourism Management District and the Newport Tourism Marketing Management Authority in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the Act and in accordance with and subject to the conditions, limitations and purposes set forth in the Petitions; AND BE IT FURTHER
- RESOLVED: To approve the imposition of a three (3%) percent administrative fee on the collection of special tax assessments to be collected by the Tax Assessor for the City of Newport pursuant to the approved Petitions.

IN COUNCIL
READ AND PASSED
SEPTEMBER 13, 2017



Laura C. Swistak
City Clerk