

**BARNSTABLE COUNTY**

**In the Year Two Thousand and Three**

**Resolution 03-04**

To remedy problem areas that have arisen as a result of the Military's use of the land at the Massachusetts Military Reservation.

WHEREAS, while a lease extension for economic and military preparedness reasons are being negotiated, it is the ideal time to remedy some problem areas that have arisen as a result of the Military's use of land,

WHEREAS, the issue of clean up of all water contamination related to drinking, recreation, and agriculture at the Mass. Military Reservation is paramount, since Cape Cod has a sole source aquifer,

WHEREAS, the Barnstable County Commissioners have stated that there is a need to incorporate the provisions of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Commonwealth and the U.S. Army and National Guard Bureau dated October 4, 2001 into the lease agreement, and that they be adhered to and implemented to the fullest, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Bourne, year after year, continues to receive funding cuts associated with providing education to the Military's children and this results in the taxpayers of Bourne footing the bill; it is estimated to be more than 11 million dollars in impact aide.

**NOW THEREFORE,**

***BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Assembly of Delegates endorses an extension of a lease of the Massachusetts Military Reservation that provides for:***

The clean up of all water contamination related to the MMR (i.e. drinking, recreation, agriculture, etc.) continues;

The provisions of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Commonwealth and the United States Army and National Guard Bureau are incorporated into the lease agreement; and

The Town of Bourne receives full reimbursement for all costs associated with providing education to the Military personnel's children.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates by a voice vote with 76.46% of Barnstable County Delegates present and voting at a regular meeting held on August 6, 2003.

Attested by:



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Thomas Paul Bernardo, Speaker  
Assembly of Delegates