BARNSTABLE COUNTY
In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty
Resolution 20-02

To request that the United States Coast Guard reconsider the permanent disestablishment of the Chatham Beach Lighted Whistle Buoy "C" (LLNR 520) based on the following:

*Whereas….*Whistle Buoy "C" has been in place for 25 years and is an important navigational aid for fisherman, recreational boaters, emergency responders including the Coast Guard and is considered a significant buoy;

Whereas…. Whistle Buoy "C" marks a federally maintained channel and anchorage known as Aunt Lydia's Cove channel stationed at the entrance to Chatham Harbor and is the only inshore aid to navigation in the vicinity of Chatham that can be reliably obtained by radar;

*Whereas….*Whistle Buoy "C" marks the only navigable inlet on Cape Cod's eastern shoreline and has been an indispensable part of complex local aids to navigation noting that the next closest ports being Provincetown and Nantucket;

*Whereas….*The town of Chatham and the Cape Cod region have a good and long standing relationship with the United States Coast Guard;

*Whereas….*The town of Chatham was only recently made aware of the plan and short timing to disestablish Whistle Buoy C;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates Proclaims;

That the navigational aid known to the U.S. Coast Guard as the Chatham Whistle Buoy "C" (LLNR 520) should continue to serve the maritime public; and

That the plan by the U.S. Coast Guard to disestablish Whistle Buoy "C" should be abandoned; and

That the U.S. Coast Guard should take all appropriate measures available at its disposal to secure the location and proper positioning of Chatham Whistle Buoy "C" now and for the future.

The foregoing Resolution 20-02 was adopted by the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates, by a roll call vote of 80.80% voting "YES", 15.64% voting "NO" and 3.56% "ABSENT" at the regular meeting held on February 5, 2020.

Attested by:

Janice O'Connell, Clerk
Assembly of Delegates