

BARNSTABLE COUNTY ASSEMBLY OF DELEGATES

In the Year Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Six

Resolution 96-1

To object to the establishment of a parks closure commission as it might pertain to the Cape Cod National Seashore.

WHEREAS, There have been Congressional attempts to establish a "Commission for Selective Park Closures" that could jeopardize operations at the Cape Cod National Seashore;

WHEREAS, The Cape Cod National Seashore contains 45,000 acres of pristine land and seashore and serves as host to more than 4 million visitors to Barnstable County each year;

WHEREAS, The Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission, the oldest in the nation representing six seashore towns within Barnstable County, is taking a proactive approach to block any efforts by Congress which could result in dissolution of that park;

WHEREAS, The Cape Cod National Seashore is asking for assistance and support for keeping the National Seashore in operation by contacting Congressman Gerry Studds, Don Young, Chairman of the Natural Resources Committee who has responsibility for the park; and

WHEREAS, The Cape Cod National Seashore is requesting its elected representatives to defeat such efforts;

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates:

Object to the steps being proposed to create a "parks closure commission" as it might pertain to the Cape Cod National Seashore and could result in the dissolution of that park.

We urge the Congress, through the offices of our Representatives and Senators, to defeat such efforts.

The foregoing resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates, with Delegates representing 58.49% of the population of Barnstable County present and voting at a meeting held April 24, 1996.

Attested by:



Diane C. Thompson, Clerk
Assembly of Delegates