

TOWN OF RICHMOND, RHODE ISLAND
RICHMOND TOWN COUNCIL
RESOLUTION # 2024-1

Formation of the Richmond 250th Commission
(Richmond 250th Semi Quincentennial Commission)

WHEREAS, the Town of Richmond recognizes the significance of the upcoming 250th anniversary of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Richmond has a rich history deeply intertwined with the ideals of freedom, equality, and independence; and

WHEREAS, it is important to celebrate and commemorate this history and promote civic pride within our community; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Richmond seeks to actively engage in planning and organizing events, activities, and initiatives to honor Rhode Island's contributions to the United States' founding principles.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Richmond Town Council as follows:

Section 1: Establishment of the Richmond 250th Commission

1.1. The Town of Richmond hereby establishes the "Richmond 250th Commission," which shall be active for a period from January 2, 2024, to December 1, 2027.

Section 2: Composition of the Richmond 250th Commission

2.1. The Richmond 250th Commission shall consist of seven (7) board members, to be appointed by the Town Council as follows:

One (1) member shall represent Richmond Town Council; the representative to be appointed by the Town Council.

One (1) member shall represent the Richmond Historical and Preservation Society; the representative to be appointed by the Town Council.

One (1) member shall represent the Chariho Regional School District; the representative to be appointed by the Town Council.

One (1) member shall represent the Richmond Recreation Commission; the representative to be appointed by the Town Council.

Section 3: Responsibilities of the Richmond 250th Commission

3.1. The Richmond 250th Commission is tasked with the following responsibilities:

To plan and organize events, activities, and initiatives that celebrate and commemorate Rhode Island's historical contributions to the ideals of freedom, equality, and independence as we approach the nation's 250th anniversary.

To promote civic pride and local history awareness within the Town of Richmond.

To collaborate with relevant organizations, institutions, and community groups to achieve the commission's goals.

To engage in fundraising efforts to support activities that promote civic pride and acknowledge local history, including decorations, events, and activities.

Section 4: Funding and Support

4.1. The Commission shall request from the Town Council during the January 2025 municipal budget process to support initial planning incidentals and cover printing of brochures or press materials to support the activities and initiatives of the Richmond 250th Commission.

Section 5: Reporting and Accountability

5.1. The Richmond 250th Commission shall provide progress reports and/or meeting minutes to the Town Council on a quarterly basis, outlining their activities, expenditures, and progress toward their goals.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following motion was made on January 2, 2024:

A motion was made by Councilor Colasante, seconded by Councilor Wilcox to approve the Resolution creating the Formation of the Richmond 250th Commission (Richmond 250th Semi-Quincentennial Commission). Vote: President Trimmer, Aye; Vice President Nassaney, Aye; Councilor Sheehan, Aye; Councilor Colasante, Aye; Councilor Wilcox, Aye.

GIVEN UNDER THE SEAL OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RICHMOND THIS 2nd DAY OF JANUARY 2024.

MARK H. TRIMMER,
Richmond Town Council President

ATTEST: _____

ERIN F. LIESE, C.M.C.
Richmond Town Clerk