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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

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JOINT RESOLUTION

APPROVING PROJECT STATUS FOR REMEDIATION AND/OR MONITORING OF THE  
TRUK-AWAY LANDFILL SUSPECTED HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL SITE  
LOCATED IN THE CITY OF WARWICK

Introduced By: Representatives Vella-Wilkinson, Bennett, McNamara, Solomon, and  
Shanley

Date Introduced: January 10, 2018

Referred To: House Municipal Government

1 WHEREAS, Truk-Away of Rhode Island, Inc. operated a landfill in the City of Warwick  
2 located on land currently owned by the State of Rhode Island; and

3 WHEREAS, The Truk-Away landfill, long since identified as a suspected hazardous  
4 waste disposal site, is surrounded by wetlands on three (3) sides; and

5 WHEREAS, The Department of Administration (DOA) must complete a site  
6 investigation to determine the environmental conditions in accordance with state and federal  
7 regulations; and

8 WHEREAS, The Department of Transportation (DOT) has maintained a temporary cap  
9 but the DOA has not authorized the expenditures to proceed with the process to test and mitigate  
10 the impact of the Truk-Away landfill site; and

11 WHEREAS, The City of Warwick recognizes that project cannot proceed unless the  
12 General Assembly authorizes the necessary funding for a comprehensive investigation and  
13 appropriate environmental response to completely address the Truk-Away landfill site; and

14 WHEREAS, The City of Warwick requests quarterly reports on the progress of the site  
15 investigation and clean up, including any assessments that may be used to determine whether  
16 further action is warranted; now, therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That this General Assembly hereby approves project status for remediation  
18 and/or monitoring of the Truk-Away landfill site, subject to the following additional  
19 requirements:

1           (a) The request of the City of Warwick to receive quarterly reports on the progress of the  
2 site investigation and clean up is approved; and

3           (b) The General Assembly shall appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars  
4 (\$100,000) in the state budget for fiscal year 2019 to commence this project; and continue the  
5 appropriation until the project is completed; and be it further

6           RESOLVED, That this joint resolution shall take effect upon passage.

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