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SPONSORED BY: Mayor C. Kenneth Gray **BILL No** 2016-033

Amesbury City Council Resolution to support the following steps by the City of Amesbury, Massachusetts as outlined below:

Summary, A Resolution to support the following:

The City of Amesbury has been plagued, for nearly 30 years, by the eyesore and contamination of the former Microfab site at 104 Haverhill Road. Multiple options have been considered by the City of Amesbury, and MassDEP, to further investigate and clean-up the site. A viable option has been offered by the EPA: to propose the Microfab site to the NPL (National Priorities List), to then clean-up the site through the Superfund program. The EPA requires a letter of support from the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts prior to adding a site to the NPL. It is the intent of this Resolution to provide the EPA with the support necessary toward achieving the status on the NPL to move forward with a clean-up. Further, this Resolution will serve as evidence of the City's support to seek future resources, such as grants, which would aid the City, MADEP, and EPA in their endeavor to clean-up and redevelop the Microfab site.

Be it Resolved by the City Council of the City of Amesbury, assembled and by the authority of the same, considers this matter as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Amesbury respects and values the EPA and the thirty-five-year success of the Superfund program, which is responsible for cleaning up some of the nation's most contaminated land; and

WHEREAS, the City of Amesbury understands, the Superfund program focuses on making a visible and lasting difference in communities, ensuring that people can live and work in healthy, vibrant places; and

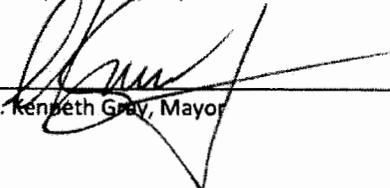
WHEREAS, the City of Amesbury understands that the EPA Superfund program is the most viable option to address the long overdue clean-up of the Microfab property, toward eliminating the abandoned eyesore, to protect the public health and safety, and to establish a viable site for redevelopment and economic expansion; and

WHEREAS, the City of Amesbury cannot move forward with a redevelopment strategy without a viable clean-up option; and

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City Council does hereby respectfully concur with the Mayor, and recommends to support the Superfund process to achieve remediation of the Microfab site by the Environmental Protection Agency. Further, that the City Council supports efforts by the City to seek additional grant resources, as may be available, which would achieve an environmentally safe and economically viable property.

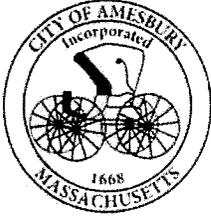
Witness my hand and seal for the City of Amesbury this _____ day of March, 2016

Bonnijo Kitchin, City Clerk



C. Kenneth Gray, Mayor

2-29-16
Date



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February 29, 2016

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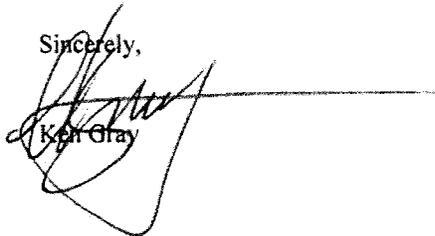
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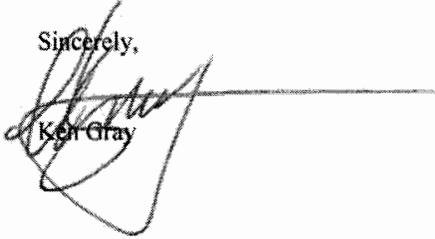
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