BARNSTABLE COUNTY

In the Year Two Thousand and Seventeen

PROPOSED RESOLUTION 17-08

Whereas, the tradition of the hayride as a way to enjoy a warm summer evening has long been a part of rural life especially in less developed areas of our nation, and

Whereas, the tradition of the hayride as a horse drawn wagon has over time changed to a conveyance of a trailer or semi-trailer towed, pushed or drawn by mechanical means, and

Whereas, these conveyances, in addition to being used for hayrides, are used on special occasions, such as delivering Santa and his Elves for Holiday celebrations, and are a staple of providing transportation for Town Bands, Youth Groups and other organizations participating in Town Parades during all times of the year, and

Whereas, for Barnstable County, and its towns, the prohibition of the use of these conveyances in providing for traditional activities and the operation of the variety of annual celebrations and observances would be detrimental to Barnstable County’s culture, traditions and attractiveness for visitors throughout the Commonwealth, the Nation and Internationally, now therefore

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

Requests that Senators Julian Cyr and Vinnie deMacedo, and Representatives Sarah Peake, David Viera, Randy Hunt, Tim Whelan, Will Crocker, and Dylan Fernandes, all who represent citizens of Barnstable County, to submit a petition to the General Court, on behalf of Barnstable County enacting language that would provide for the result of continuing the above traditional activities

The foregoing resolution was adopted by the Barnstable County Assembly of Delegates, by a roll call vote of 96.77% voting “yes”, 3.23% “absent” at the regular meeting held on December 6, 2017.

Attested by:

Owen Fletcher
Clerk Pro Tempore
Assembly of Delegates