



## Town of Provincetown

### Resolution

#### **Affirming The Town of Provincetown's Commitment to Ending the HIV Epidemic by Joining the Global Fast-Track Cities Initiative**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Provincetown is committed to ending the four decades-long HIV epidemic in alignment with United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goal 3.3 of ending AIDS as a public health threat by 2020, including in cities and municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Provincetown is committed to achieving UN Sustainable Development Goal 10 of reducing health and social inequalities, including in cities and municipalities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Provincetown is committed to achieving UN Sustainable Development Goal 11 of making cities and municipalities inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable; and

**WHEREAS**, the Fast-Track Cities initiative is a partnership between cities and municipalities worldwide and four core partners – the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), International Association of Providers of AIDS Care (IAPAC), United Nations Human Settlement Programme (UN-Habitat), and the City of Paris; and

**WHEREAS**, since World AIDS Day 2014 (December 1, 2014) more than 350 cities have signed the *Paris Declaration on Fast-Track Cities Ending the HIV Epidemic* ("*Paris Declaration*") to galvanize action in solidarity among cities and municipalities around the world, encourage the sharing of best practices, and promote efforts to end HIV-related and intersectional stigma in a global effort to achieve UN Sustainable Development Goals 3.3, 10, and 11; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Provincetown has historically supported efforts to facilitate equitable access to and utilization of HIV prevention, testing, care, treatment, and ancillary support services that respect the dignity and human rights of its citizens living with and affected by HIV; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Provincetown has partnered with AIDS Support Group of Cape Cod since 1983 to deliver critical services to its citizens, including testing for HIV and other sexually transmitted infections, sexual health counseling, support and advocacy for youth and families, and health and wellness programs for people aged 55 and older.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Town of Provincetown's Select Board ratifies and approves the decision of the Mayor for the Town of Provincetown to join the Fast-Track Cities network by virtue of this Resolution, the same hereby in all respects approved, ratified, and confirmed; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town of Provincetown elects to join the Fast-Track Cities network in honor of Alice Foley, co-founder of AIDS Support Group of Cape Cod and fearless HIV advocate and on behalf of the city's HIV and LGBTQ+ communities, thus exemplifying our commitment to diversity and inclusion; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Town of Provincetown will join a consortium of other LGBTQ+ friendly cities and municipalities in the United States and globally to share best practices and engage in bidirectional exchanges that seek to promote the rights of all LGBTQ+ communities, including LGBTQ+ people living with and affected by HIV, irrespective of age, ethnicity and race, gender and gender identity, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic background;

**BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED**, that this Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption, and that all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.




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