RESOLUTION STANDISH TOWN COUNCIL

DATE: April 11, 2017 ORDER NUMBER: 31-17

SUBMITTED BY: Nesbitt

TITLE: RESOLUTION CONCERNING FRYE ISLAND LEGISLATION

WHEREAS the Town of Standish supported the legislation in 1997 that allowed the secession of Frye Island contingent upon certain conditions and agreements as described in Council Orders # 137-96, # 44-97, # 45-97 and # 72-97, and

WHEREAS one important condition for Standish' support of secession was that... "Frye Island (would) remain part of Standish' education entity, to include responsibilities for MSAD #6 on a pro-rata basis," and

WHEREAS the condition that Frye Island remain with MSAD# 6 was incorporated into a Memorandum of Understanding dated April 11, 1997 between Frye Island and the Town of Standish as approved by both municipal bodies and further reaffirmed under the 120th Legislature's LD 500, Clarification of Frye Island's Secession, and

WHEREAS action initiated by Frye Island to withdraw from MSAD #6 is contrary to current law and the Memorandum of Understanding and such action would impose a financial burden on the Town of Standish and the other member municipalities of MSAD #6, and

WHEREAS the Town of Standish has made good faith efforts in negotiations as part of MSAD #6 with Frye Island to investigate different funding options, and

WHEREAS pending legislation, described as LD 749, would undo the legislation passed by the 120th Legislature which would allow Frye Island to withdraw from MSAD #6 without further legislative review, and

WHEREAS LD 749 is scheduled to be heard by the Legislature's State and Local Government Committee on _____, 2017,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED that the Town of Standish opposes LD 749 and its authorization that Frye Island would no longer be required to remain a part of, and continue to provide its fare share of financial support to, MSAD #6, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution be communicated to the Legislature's Committee on Education and Cultural Affairs and to members of the 128th Legislature.

| APPROVED | | DISAPPROVED | |
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| ROLL CALL | YEA | NAY | ABSTAIN |
| BLANCK DELCOURT HIGGINS NESBITT POMERLEAU SARGENT SIRPIS | | | |
| COUNCIL CHAIR CLERK/SECRETAR | Y | | <u> </u> |