WHEREAS, Fall River wishes to pursue a state-authorized cultural district through the enabling legislation MGL Chapter 10, Section 58A, and

WHEREAS, Fall River has a mixed-use geographical area that has a concentration of cultural facilities and assets, and

WHEREAS, Fall River has held the public hearing required to establish a state-designated cultural district, and

WHEREAS, Fall River created a broad and diverse partnership of stakeholders committed to cultural, community and economic development to provide oversight of the district, and

WHEREAS, the Massachusetts Cultural Council will be petitioned in accordance with its guidelines and criteria to designate said cultural district, now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City create a state-authorized cultural district for at least (5) years to be named the Fall River Waterfront Cultural District, and in doing so agrees to: foster the development of a cultural district, endorses the state-sponsored cultural district goals (attracting artists and cultural enterprises, encouraging business and job development, establishing tourist destinations, preserving and reusing historic buildings, enhancing property values and fostering local cultural development), will appoint a city official to represent the city within the district partnership of said cultural district, will encourage all who own property or businesses within the cultural district to involve themselves and participate in the full development of the district, and will direct city agencies to identify programs and services that could support and enhance the development of the cultural district and ensure that those programs and services are accessible to the cultural district.

In City Council, November 12, 2019
Adopted

A true copy. Attest:

Alison M. Bouchard

City Clerk