**Background:**

On or before June 30, 2023, the Cape Light Compact JPE (“Compact”) intends to file with the Department of Public Utilities administrative amendments to its Aggregation Plan for consideration, including an express recognition that from time to time, the Compact’s member municipalities (individually or collectively) may seek to offer discounted pricing to all low-income customer classes within the municipality in connection with a program or project authorized by the municipality.

The Compact member towns of Aquinnah, Chilmark, Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury and West Tisbury are proposing to offer electricity bill savings to all low-income customer classes within their respective towns. Funding for the bill savings will come from donations by Vineyard Power Development Fund, Inc. (“Vineyard Power”) in connection with community benefit agreements it has in place with Vineyard Wind 1 LLC (“Vineyard Wind”). The bill savings project is referred to as the Resiliency and Affordability Program Income Eligible Ratepayer Assistance Initiative (“Initiative”). There are no costs to the towns to participate in this Initiative.

The Compact Governing Board will be voting to support the Martha’s Vineyard towns’ participation in the Initiative and the Compact’s role in administering the Initiative for the Martha’s Vineyard towns at the Compact’s June 14, 2023 Board meeting.

**Motion:**

In connection with the town’s seat on Vineyard Power’s Resiliency and Affordability Advisory Committee, I move we approve participation in the Initiative, in connection with the Resiliency and Affordability Program Implementation Agreement between Vineyard Wind and Vineyard Power, to deliver electricity bill savings in the form of a discounted power supply rate to all low-income customers taking service from the town’s municipal aggregation power supply program on the R-2 and R-4 rates, for so long as the Initiative is offered by Vineyard Power and to take any other action relative thereto.