

TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN, MARYLAND RESOLUTION NO. 2026- 11

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLESTOWN, MARYLAND, TO BAN ALL MINING AND MINERAL EXTRACTION ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE TOWN TO PROTECT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT.

WHEREAS, the Town of Charlestown is vested with the authority to regulate land use, zoning, and environmental health within its municipal boundaries; and

WHEREAS, industrial mining and mineral extraction activities pose substantial risks to the town's environmental infrastructure, historic preservation, and the Northeast River watershed; and

WHEREAS, such extraction activities are incompatible with the residential, historic, and recreational character of the town; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commissioners find that a comprehensive ban on these activities within the town's jurisdiction is necessary to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Commissioners of Charlestown, Maryland, that:

1. **Prohibition:** All commercial mining, quarrying, sand or gravel excavation, and mineral extraction activities are strictly prohibited within the corporate limits of the Town of Charlestown.
2. **Implementation:** The Town Planning Commission and town staff are directed to codify this prohibition into the Town Zoning Ordinance and Land Subdivision Regulations.
3. **Enforcement:** No municipal permits, zoning approvals, or land-use clearances shall be issued for any project involving mineral extraction within town boundaries.
4. **Effective Date:** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

RESOLVED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED this __13th__ day of __October____, 2026.
TOWN COMMISSIONERS OF CHARLESTOWN, MARYLAND

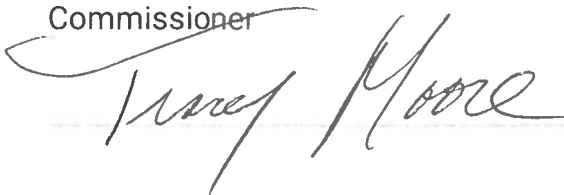
President



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Town Administrator

ATTEST:

