



**HAMPTON ROADS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION 2021-01**

**RESOLUTION OF THE HAMPTON ROADS PLANNING DISTRICT COMMISSION  
TO ENDORSE AND SUPPORT SAIL250 VIRGINIA**

**WHEREAS**, Sail250 Virginia is a maritime event scheduled for 2026 in support of the national Semiquincentennial; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port of Virginia was confirmed as a key host for the country's Semiquincentennial celebration to commemorate the nation's 250th birthday; and

**WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth, along with the Port of Virginia, will join the ports of Boston, New York, Baltimore, and New Orleans to host this legacy event; and

**WHEREAS**, Virginia has played key roles in similar past events such as OpSail2000, Sail Virginia 2007, OpSail2012 and the Commemoration of the First African Landing (2019); and

**WHEREAS**, the seventeen localities of Hampton Roads embrace this historic world-class event and support the joint efforts of the planning and execution of Sail250 Virginia; and

**WHEREAS**, Hampton Roads recognizes the importance and potential economic benefit to the region and state of this rare opportunity.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission does hereby pledge its support of Sail250 Virginia and encourages all residents of the region to join in the national camaraderie that it will foster.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** by the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission this 21st day of October 2021.

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Chair  
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