RESOLUTION NO. 3384

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY TO SHOW SUPPORT FOR THE BIRD CITY MARYLAND INITIATIVE.

- WHEREAS, birds are some of the most beautiful and easily observed wildlife that share our communities, and
- WHEREAS, many communities recognize and value birds that are residents and those that pass through during their migration seasons, and
- WHEREAS, birds play an important ecological role in our community, controlling insect pests and contributing to pollination and seed dispersal, and
- WHEREAS, birds play an important economic role in our community, attracting tourists and generating millions in recreational dollars statewide, and
- WHEREAS, migratory birds and their habitats are declining throughout the Americas, facing a growing number of threats on their migration routes and in both their summer and winter homes, and
- WHEREAS, public awareness and concern are crucial components of migratory bird conservation, and
- WHEREAS, since 1993 World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) has become a primary vehicle for focusing public attention on the nearly 350 species that travel between nesting habitats in our communities and throughout North America and their wintering grounds in South and Central America, Mexico, the Caribbean, and the southern U.S., and
- WHEREAS, throughout the Bird City Network, hundreds of thousands of people will observe WMBD, gathering in town squares, community centers, schools, parks, nature centers, and wildlife refuges to learn about birds, take action to conserve them, and simply to have fun, and
- WHEREAS, community members enthusiastic about birds, informed about the threats they face, and empowered to help address those threats can directly contribute to maintaining health bird populations, and
- WHEREAS, sound policies and practices enhancing natural ecosystems and reducing threats to birds also make healthier communities for people, and
- **WHEREAS**, Bird City Maryland is an initiative to build relationships within local communities and guide action to protect and conserve birds, and
- WHEREAS, the City of Salisbury finds that it is in the best interest of the community and its residents to show its support for the Bird City Maryland initiative.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, as follows:
- <u>Section 1</u>. The City of Salisbury, by adoption of this Resolution, hereby shows its support of the Bird City Maryland Initiative.
- <u>Section 2</u>. It is the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that each provision of this Resolution shall be deemed independent of all other provisions herein.

Section 3. It is further the intention of the Mayor and Council of the City of Salisbury that if any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be adjudged invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable under applicable Maryland or federal law, such adjudication shall apply only to the section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision so adjudged and all other provisions of this Resolution shall remain and shall be deemed valid and enforceable.

Section 4. The recitals set forth hereinabove are incorporated into this section of the Resolution as if such recitals were specifically set forth at length in this Section 4.

THE ABOVE RESOLUTION was introduced and read and passed at the regular meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on this 24 day of March, 2025 and is to become effective immediately upon adoption.

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City Clerk

City Council President

ME THIS 1 day of April , 2025.

Randolph J. Taylor

Mayor