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Ms. Naomi R. A. Carney, Chair  
City Council Committee on Memorials and Dedications  
New Bedford City Hall  
133 William Street, Room 215  
New Bedford, MA 02740

RE: Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr. Sea Lab Marine Science Education Center

Dear Councilor Carney,

This letter begins with sincere thanks to the Committee on Memorials and Dedications for its March 9, 2021 vote (4-0) in support of official recognition of the civic and educational contributions of the late Mayor Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr. by dedicating a public school building in his honor. Consequently, on September 8, 2021, the New Bedford School Committee voted (6-0) on an initial motion (7D) to name the Sea Lab Marine Science Education Center in Mayor Kalisz's honor. On September 20, 2021, it took up the motion again (8A) for a second and final reading, voting in favor (6-0) of renaming the Sea Lab Marine Science Education Center building as the Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr. Sea Lab Marine Science Education Center.

A committee has since been formed with the endorsement of the Kalisz Family to oversee procurement of a dedication tablet and plan unveiling ceremonies at Sea Lab on Saturday, August 13, 2022. Members include: Patricia Kalisz, Rick M. Kalisz III, Michael Kalisz, Stephen Furtado, John Beauregard, Steven White, George Leontire, Simone Bourgeois, Arthur Motta, Andrew O'Leary, and Bruce Oliveira.

The Kalisz/Sea Lab Dedication Committee cordially invites the City Council Committee on Memorials and Dedications to designate a member of its body to be liaison at our meetings.

Our next meeting will take place on Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 12:30 p.m. at Sea Lab. We will discuss the tablet, its contents, and production. We would like to invite the designated liaison to attend this meeting.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Superintendent Thomas Anderson  
Kalisz/Sea Lab Dedication Committee

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