



# *City of New Bedford*

IN COMMITTEE

April 27, 2023

The Honorable City Council  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Special Committee on Memorials & Dedications, at a meeting held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023, considered a COMMUNICATION, Councillor Carney submitting a copy of a letter from Assistant Superintendent of Finance & Operations Andrew O'Leary, regarding naming the Sea Lab Marine Science Education Center after the late Mayor Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr. (To be Referred to the Special Committee on Memorials and Dedications.) (Ref'd 03/24/2022)

On motion by Councillor Pereira and seconded by Councillor Baptiste, the Committee VOTED: To recommend that the City Council take "NO FURTHER ACTION" on the COMMUNICATION, Councillor Carney submitting a copy of a letter from Assistant Superintendent of Finance & Operations Andrew O'Leary, regarding naming the Sea Lab Marine Science Education Center after the late Mayor Frederick M. Kalisz, Jr. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS & DEDICATIONS

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Councillor Naomi R. A. Carney, Chairperson

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March 3, 2022

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,

Andrew B. O'Leary, MA, CAGS, MCPPO  
Assistant Superintendent of Finance & Operations

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Cc: Superintendent Thomas Anderson  
Kalisz/Sea Lab Dedication Committee

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