

RESOLUTION #2022-10

***RESOLUTION REQUESTING TOWN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SOUTH CAROLINA
BATTLEGROUND PRESERVATION TRUST FOR A NATIONAL PARK SERVICE GRANT***

WHEREAS, Fort Johnson, located in the Town of James Island, has the distinction of being the first fortification constructed outside of the Charleston peninsula in 1708, and over the course of the 18th and 19th centuries, was the site of many significant events in United States history; and

WHEREAS, The South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust, a non-profit foundation chartered in 1993 dedicated to preserving battlefield and historic military sites throughout South Carolina, has contracted to purchase 1.58 acres of the Fort Johnson property from the Medical University of South Carolina, for which fifty percent of the purchase price will be raised through a Federal grant by the American Battlefield Protection Program of the National Park Service, and the other fifty percent to be paid by the South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust; and

WHEREAS, Because the history of Fort Johnson is forever intertwined with the history of James Island, and the preservation of historic sites within Fort Johnson will be interpreted for public enjoyment in perpetuity if preserved utilizing these grant funds; and

WHEREAS, The legislation establishing the American Battlefield Protection Program requires the South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust to partner with a local government agency in order to apply for and accept the grant funds; and

WHEREAS, The South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust has requested the Town of James Island be the partner government agency to support the grant application with no fiscal impact or match requirement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Town of James Island Town Council accepts the request of the South Carolina Battleground Preservation Trust to partner and support the grant application to the National Park Service.

Adopted this 16th of June, 2022



Bill Woolsey
Mayor

ATTEST



Frances Simmons
Town Clerk