

**RESOLUTION NO. 539 -2014, AUTHORIZING AN
AMENDMENT TO CEDAR ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE LICENSE
AGREEMENT**

WHEREAS, the Cedar Island Lighthouse, located in Cedar Point County Park, is on the National Registry of Historic Places; and

WHEREAS, the Cedar Island Lighthouse has fallen into disrepair and has been inaccessible to the public since the 1970's; and

WHEREAS, County funding is not currently available to restore the lighthouse; and

WHEREAS, U.S. Lighthouse, Inc., acting through its duly authorized chapter, the Long Island Chapter of the U.S. Lighthouse, Inc. ("Lighthouse Inc.") entered into a license agreement with the County of Suffolk in 2010, whereby Lighthouse Inc. agreed to act as a guardian of the Cedar Island Lighthouse; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to this agreement, Lighthouse Inc. has operated, maintained and assisted in the preservation of the Cedar Island Lighthouse; and

WHEREAS, Lighthouse Inc. wishes to extend and amend their license agreement with the County, in order to enhance their ability to raise funds and assist in the restoration of the Cedar Island Lighthouse; and

WHEREAS, the County should amend its agreement with Lighthouse Inc. to achieve the restoration of an important historic building for the benefit of County residents; now, therefore be it

1st RESOLVED, that the Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to extend the existing license agreement with Lighthouse Inc. through December 31, 2029, with two 5 year options to renew at the sole discretion of the Department; and be it further

2nd RESOLVED, that the licensee shall be permitted to use two (2) rooms of the renovated lighthouse as a bed and breakfast and to provide quarters for an on-site lighthouse keeper, with all utilities and maintenance costs borne by the operator, subject to the approval of the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) and the Suffolk County Parks Trustees; and be it further

3rd RESOLVED, that all revenues generated by the operation of lighthouse shall be used by the licensee for the operation and maintenance of the lighthouse; and be it further

4th RESOLVED, that the amended license agreement shall include a provision and a schedule that will require the County of Suffolk to repay Lighthouse Inc., on a prorated basis, for any investment they make to restore the lighthouse, in the event the County terminates the license without cause; and be it further

5th **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) lead agency, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(20), (21) and (27) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (6 NYCRR) and within the meaning of Section 8-0109(2) of the NEW YORK ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW as a promulgation of regulations, rules, policies, procedures, and legislative decisions in connection with continuing agency administration, management and information collection, and the Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: June 17, 2014

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: July 3, 2014