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NARRAGANSETT TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: October 7, 2024

FROM: Michelle Kershaw, Parks & Recreation Director

DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation Department

SUBJECT:

A MOTION TO APPROVE the request from the national organization "Life Rolls On" to host a surf therapy event on Saturday, September 6, 2025, at Narragansett Town Beach, subject to state and local regulations.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

The organization Life Rolls On, founded by three-time world champion quadriplegic surfer Jesse Billauer, offers support to many first-time disabled surfers as well as others who take to the water with challenges, all wanting to meet the waves head-on. This will be the fourth year for this event. Life Rolls On offers those with disabling conditions an opportunity to feel and experience surfing as others do. The experience builds confidence for participants and brings a sense of reward and fulfillment that their condition doesn't make them less whole, less like everyone else. Life Rolls On, in sponsorship with Narragansett Surf and Skate, Waves for Change, and Gnome Surf is requesting to host a one-day surf event on Saturday, September 6, 2025, from 9am – 2pm, at Narragansett Town Beach. Participation in this event is free for those that have disabilities due to injury or disease. Experienced surfers and volunteers will lead the event and take participants surfing with adaptive surf equipment. Liability insurance in the amount of one million dollars naming the Town of Narragansett as additionally insured will be provided prior to this event. Additionally, all participants in the event will sign a waiver of liability prior to participation.

ATTACHMENTS:

[Life_Rolls_On_Surf_Event_9.6.25_Facility_Use_Form.pdf](#)