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205 AUTHORIZES SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION TO NYS DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR "THE RIVERHEAD PLAN FOR AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGY INTERNATIONAL INCUBATOR PROGRAM"

Councilperson Stark (STARK) offered the following resolution, which was seconded by Councilperson Prusinowski (PRUSINOWSKI)

WHEREAS, a Grumman Aerospace facility is located in the Town of Riverhead which is on property of the United States Navy; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to investigate the alternate uses of this Grumman facility; and

WHEREAS, agriculture, mariculture and environmental technologies are identified as a possible attractive alternate use in a business incubator program; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Riverhead has established as the objectives of this program:

-To enhance the existing agricultural and marine economies of eastern Long Island;

-To utilize the substantial assets in place at the 2,500 acre Grumman/Calverton facility;

-To provide the Grumman Corporation with an opportunity to participate as a major partner in stimulating and strengthening the agrarian, marine and technological economies of New York State;

-To build on an established network of academic, scientific, and technological resources to provide educational training and trade benefits within the United States as well as to foreign nations; and

-To develop an incubator facility with an agricultural, aquaculture, and environmental focus while enhancing efforts to increase tourism.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Town Board does hereby support the grant application for funds through the Regional Economic Development Partnership Program (REDPP) - Section 7 Economic Development assistance Grant - to conduct a study as to the feasibility of establishing "The Riverhead Agricultural and Environmental Technology International Incubator Program".

The vote: Gilliam, yes; Creighton, absent; Stark, yes; Prusinowski, yes; Janoski, yes. 4 YES 1 ABSENT

The resolution was thereupon duly declared adopted.