TOWN OF FALMOUTH RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE COMMUNITY ACCESS PRESERVATION (CAP) ACT OF 2009 (H.R. 3745)

- *WHEREAS*, public, educational and government (PEG) channels play a significant role in the Town of Falmouth;
- WHEREAS,PEG channels are a unique and valuable resource for local information
and discourse for the residents of Falmouth, Maine; and
- WHEREAS, PEG channels televise local government meetings, including Town Council, Planning Board, School Board and Zoning Board, so that citizens are informed about the actions taken by local elected officials; and
- *WHEREAS,* PEG channels contribute to the democratic process by providing opportunities for candidates and others to discuss local issues during election campaigns; and
- **WHEREAS,** PEG channels provide a window through which residents can view the diversity of cultures, recreational activities and artistic endeavors in their local community; and
- *WHEREAS,* PEG channels reflect the unique identity of the communities they serve; and
- *WHEREAS,* it is important to preserve PEG channels and funding for PEG channels, and to ensure that the channels continue to be available to the entire community to serve the residents of Falmouth, Maine; and
- *WHEREAS,* HR 3745, the Community Access Preservation Act, addresses critical and immediate threats to PEG.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Falmouth, Maine, in Town Council assembled, as follows:

1. that the Falmouth Town Council supports immediate passage of HR 3745; and

2. that the Falmouth Town Council calls on our Congressional delegation to take all possible actions in support of the passage of HR 3745, including but not limited to endorsing, co-sponsoring and voting for HR 3745, and to work for its rapid passage.

Approved this 22nd day of March, 2010.

Nathan Poore, Town Manager

Ellen Planer, Town Clerk