



**TOWN OF FALMOUTH
RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING
THE 2011 ZERO ROBOTICS TEAM**

WHEREAS, The Zero Robotics Team had to learn a new programming language and develop strategies to virtually dock their satellite with a lost solar panel; and

WHEREAS, The Zero Robotics Team had to return their satellite to the space station in a limited time, while competing against another satellite also trying to accomplish the same goal; and

WHEREAS, The Zero Robotics Team had to avoid the interference of the competing satellite that could push them out of the playing field; and

WHEREAS, The Zero Robotics Team given the complexity of the task and the strategies that had been modeled during the training and testing phases, the designers of the challenge were certain that no one would be able to successfully dock the space station; and

WHEREAS, The Zero Robotics Team ended up being the only team to do this successfully, and they did it twice; and

WHEREAS, The Zero Robotics Team was one of only two teams that were recognized by the organizers of the Spheres Challenge and earned a special award, a mission patch that will have flown on the space station and shuttle; and

WHEREAS, The Zero Robotics Team won the competition for docking, and the other team was recognized for being the undefeated model of an excellent team until Falmouth beat them; and

WHEREAS, The Town is proud of all the outstanding accomplishment, hard work and dedication of the team members Sam Walker, Conor McGrory, Jordan Stanhope, Tim Follo, Jacob Merson, Grant Des Rosiers, Eric Tierney, Sarah Abramson, Nick Bachman, team mentors Heather Broersma, Jeff Walker and Coach Andrew Njaa.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Falmouth Town Council assembled this 9th day of May 2011 that The Zero Robotics Team is herewith recognized and congratulated by this Council on behalf of the citizens of Falmouth.

Approved this 9th day of May 2011.

Tony Payne, Council Chair

Ellen Planer, Town Clerk

