## TOWN OF FALMOUTH RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING GORHAM SAVINGS BANK

**WHEREAS** Gorham Savings Bank has shown the Falmouth community the meaning of being an environmentally responsible business through its efforts at waste reduction, energy efficiency, green building practices and community outreach efforts;

**WHEREAS** the Bank, with a branch on Route 1 and another on Route 100, has reduced its impact on the environment by creating an employee-sponsored "Green Team," which developed a company-wide recycling program;

**WHEREAS** the Bank began purchasing electricity from a renewable energy provider in 2008 and now utilizes renewable energy credits for all electricity consumed at its Route 1 branch;

**WHEREAS** the Bank's new building on Route 1 has won the prestigious LEED<sup>®</sup> Gold Certification for numerous reasons including the use of more sustainable and less toxic material, the substantial use of natural light and the garden equal to the size of the building footprint;

**WHEREAS** Bank employees annually celebrate "Earth Week" by participating in sustainable projects such as the Back Cove clean-up and a branch recycling contest as well as free confidential document shredding days for customers;

**WHEREAS** the Falmouth Recycling and Advisory Committee has recognized Ann Armstrong, Regional Senior Business Officer at the Bank, for her work with the committee to promote business recycling and green building within the community;

**WHEREAS** ecomaine gave the Bank its Falmouth business Eco-excellence Award in 2012 for the Bank's strong and extensive commitment to the environment, after being nominated by the Falmouth Recycling and Advisory Committee;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Falmouth Town Council assembled this 30th day of May, 2012, that Gorham Savings Bank, in particular Ann Armstrong, is herewith recognized and congratulated by this Council on behalf of the citizens of Falmouth for winning the ecomaine Eco-excellence Award and for all the Bank's efforts leading up to the award.

Ellen Planer Town Clerk Teresa Pierce Chair, Falmouth Town Council