

RECOGNIZING THE SOUTHEASTERN MA AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION 75 YEAR ARRL AFFILIATION

Whereas, the Southeastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Association (SEMARA) or “the Association” was established as the New Bedford Shortwave Radio Club in 1932,

Whereas, the Association has been affiliated for at least 75 years,

Whereas, in 1955 the Association established a station on three acres of land purchased in Dartmouth, Massachusetts,

Whereas, in 1958 the Association was incorporated in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a non-profit organization,

Whereas, in 1977 the Association constructed a new meeting hall,

Whereas, in 1999 the Association erected a 180-foot communications tower that currently provides support for various antennas, including: amateur, cellular telephone, police and fire,

Whereas, the Association provides support to the SKYWARN and ARES® programs covering southeastern Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Cape Cod, and Martha’s Vineyard,

Whereas, in 2015 the Association constructed additional space in its clubhouse to house three stations with HF/VHF/UHF capabilities,

Whereas, the Association conducts volunteer exam sessions monthly,

Whereas, the Association is proud to have among its membership 391 individuals from across the United States and Canada,

THEREFORE, Be It Resolved that the ARRL Board of Directors hereby congratulates and recognizes the Southeastern Massachusetts Amateur Radio Association (SEMARA) for its contributions to amateur radio on its 75th anniversary of ARRL affiliation.