

Introduced by Presiding Officer, on request of the County Executive and Legislator Berland

**RESOLUTION NO. 424 -2020, AUTHORIZING USE OF
COINDRE HALL AT WEST NECK FARM COUNTY PARK BY
HUNTINGTON LIGHTHOUSE PRESERVATION SOCIETY, INC.**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 449-1988 dedicated the former George McKesson Brown Estate “West Neck Farm”, A/K/A “Coindre Hall” to the Suffolk County Historic Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Huntington Lighthouse Preservation Society, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization, whose mission includes restoration, preservation, maintenance of the Huntington Harbor Lighthouse, providing public awareness and education of lighthouse history, and assisting with the restoration, preservation and maintenance of the historic buildings at West Neck Farm County Park A/K/A Coindre Hall which is dedicated to the Suffolk County Historic Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Huntington Lighthouse Preservation Society, Inc. has successfully restored, preserved and maintained the Huntington Lighthouse Landmark for public use; and

WHEREAS, the Huntington Lighthouse Preservation Society, Inc. is willing to establish a Lighthouse Museum at Coindre Hall and to assist the County in restoring and preserving the Coindre Hall Boathouse in exchange for the non-exclusive use of office, exhibit and storage space at Coindre Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Huntington Lighthouse Preservation Society, Inc. would like to enter into a License Agreement for a term of twenty (20) years with the County of Suffolk for the non-exclusive use of office, exhibit and storage space at Coindre Hall in exchange for the provision of establishing a Lighthouse Museum at Coindre Hall and assistance with restoring and preserving the Coindre Hall Boathouse; now, therefore be it

1st **RESOLVED**, that the Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation, Conservation is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed, pursuant to Section 28-4(D) of the SUFFOLK COUNTY CHARTER, to enter into a License Agreement, for a term of twenty (20) years with the Huntington Lighthouse Preservation Society, Inc., for the non-exclusive use of office, exhibit and storage space at Coindre Hall in exchange for establishing a Lighthouse Museum at Coindre Hall and assistance with restoring and preserving the Coindre Hall Boathouse; and be it further

2nd **RESOLVED**, that this Legislature, being the lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”), N.Y. Environmental Conservation Law Article 8 and Chapter 450 of the Suffolk County Code, hereby finds and determines that this resolution constitutes a Type II action pursuant to Section 617.5(c)(26) and (33) of Title 6 of the NEW YORK CODE OF RULES AND REGULATIONS (“NYCRR”) in that the action constitutes routine or continuing agency administration and management, not including new programs or major reordering of priorities that may affect the environment. The Suffolk County Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is hereby directed to circulate any appropriate SEQRA notices of determination of non-applicability or non-significance in accordance with this resolution.

DATED: June 9, 2020

APPROVED BY:

/s/ Steven Bellone
County Executive of Suffolk County

Date: June 12, 2020