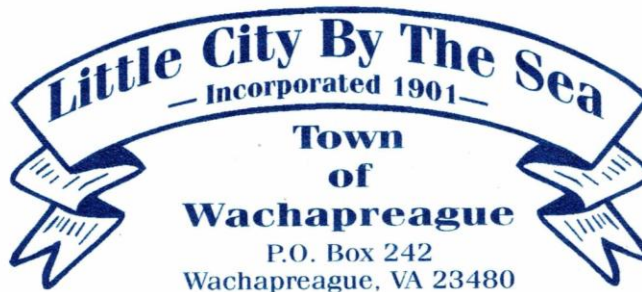




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## Letter of Endorsement

January 20, 2025

Dear CFPF Review Committee,

I am writing this letter to express my full endorsement of Robert F. Bilicki, Town Councilmember since 2017 for the Town of Wachapreague, Virginia. His position as the CRS Coordinator as well as his goal to become a Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) for our small Incorporated Town with a population of 236 people is important. In my capacity as the Mayor of the Town of Wachapreague, I have had the distinct pleasure of working closely with Robert F. Bilicki for a few years, as well as being his neighbor. I am confident in his exceptional abilities and unwavering dedication to protecting the Town of Wachapreague from rising groundwater and storm driven wave action.

During our time working together, Robert F. Bilicki consistently demonstrated an outstanding level of professionalism and expertise. His ability to understand the complexity of a project and could break it down into comprehensible solutions has been instrumental in the success of our most recent project for which he authored; the conceptual estimate, and execution of the 1<sup>st</sup> Force Main Pump-Station, to the two most vulnerable areas of our Town: The Commercial Waterfront and the Commercial Neighborhood. Moreover, his collaborative spirit and leadership qualities have had a significant impact on our Town's dynamic and overall productivity of the Working Waterfront which includes the Island House Restaurant & Marina, The Lilliston Seafood Market, our two Marinas, The Virginia Institute of Marine Science, a division of The College of William & Mary.

I am confident that Councilmember Robert F. Bilicki will bring the same level of excellence and dedication to our Town of Wachapreague. His passion for detail and his commitment to achieving the highest standards make him the ideal candidate for our Town to manage the goal to create a Resilience Master Plan. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any further information or wish to discuss Robert's qualifications and the needs of our Town of Wachapreague in greater detail. I am more than happy to provide additional insights into our goals.

Thank you for considering the endorsement of your Grant to our Town. I am certain that we will prove to be an invaluable success story for the DCR organization.

Sincerely,

*Charles Elliott*

Mayor of the Town of Wachapreague