

RESOLUTION 19-38 - RECOGNIZES THE SERVICE AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF WILLIAM E. LOWE, III TO THE DELAWARE RIVER AND BAY AUTHORITY AND DESIGNATES THE LEWES FERRY TERMINAL PUBLIC PIER AS THE WILLIAM E. LOWE, III PIER IN HIS HONOR:

WHEREAS, William E. Lowe, III was appointed by Governor Ruth Ann Minner to serve as a Commissioner on the Delaware River and Bay Authority, participating in his first Commission Meeting on May 20, 2003; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowe served with distinction, enthusiasm and dedication as a Delaware River and Bay Authority Commissioner for more than sixteen years; and

WHEREAS, on January 18, 2011, William E. Lowe, III was elected Chairman of the Delaware River and Bay Authority Board of Commissioners and served many of his years on the Commission as either Chairman or Vice Chairman of the twelve person governing board; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowe also served as a chairperson of the Economic Development and Projects Committees during his time as a Commissioner, advocating for the creation and adoption of a new Marine Master Plan and the ferry vessel repowering project at the Cape May-Lewes Ferry; and

WHEREAS, as a veteran Delaware River Pilot, Mr. Lowe was a passionate supporter of the Cape May – Lewes Ferry and provided much needed insight, expertise, and perspective on this important bi-state crossing operation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowe was a strong, dedicated advocate for rebranding the Cape May – Lewes Ferry Terminals as community gathering places that offer outstanding waterfront venues for concerts, festivals and other events; and

WHEREAS, as a result of his leadership and support, the first inaugural Maritime Day Celebration that pays tribute to the region’s maritime history was held at the Lewes Ferry Terminal on May 19, 2012; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowe encouraged public use of the finger pier at the Lewes Ferry Terminal, which prompted the Freedom Boat Club of Delaware to use it as one of its locations in the State of Delaware for pleasure boating; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Lowe recognized the importance of the Authority’s transportation network and endorsed the investment of financial resources to improve and enhance all of the Authority’s facilities, including its major transportation links, the Cape May - Lewes Ferry and Delaware Memorial Bridge facilities, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Delaware River and Bay Authority does hereby recognize the outstanding contributions of William E. Lowe, III to the Authority’s history and successful operation of the Delaware Memorial Bridge, Cape May - Lewes Ferry, the Salem County Business Center, Wilmington-New Castle Airport, Millville Airport, Cape

May Airport, Delaware Airpark, Civil Air Terminal at Dover, and the Forts Ferry Crossing, all of which are managed by the Delaware River and Bay Authority.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Delaware River and Bay Authority Commission does hereby designate the Lewes Ferry Terminal Public Pier as the “William E. Lowe, III Public Pier” with the adoption of this resolution today, September 17, 2019.