

Office of the MAYOR

CITY OF GROTON  
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# Proclamation

## *Dedication of the John A. "Sully" Sullivan Building*

**WHEREAS**, on September 6, 2025, the Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 20, dedicates their building located at 242 Thames Street, Groton CT to ETC (SS) John A. "Sully" Sullivan; and

**WHEREAS**, after serving in the Army for three years, Sully joined the Navy in 1958, serving on the surface and volunteering for Submarine duty; and

**WHEREAS**, Sully completed his submarine qualifications in 1964, serving on the USS Picuda (SS-382), finally retiring from the Navy in 1978, holding a rank of Chief Petty Officer/E-7; and

**WHEREAS**, while in service, he joined the Fleet Reserve Association in 1966 and remained a member until his passing on July 15, 2024. Sully was also inducted into the Holland Club in 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, he was a fixture as the head of the Building Committee, maintaining the building and grounds for over 30-years and was instrumental in many major renovation and upkeep projects. Sully held many positions as an officer of Branch 20 FRA, including serving as President; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Keith Hedrick, Mayor of the City of Groton, do hereby recognize the dedication of the Fleet Reserve Association, Branch 20 Building as the John A. "Sully" Sullivan Building and thank Chief Petty Officer Sullivan for his service to our country and the Fleet Reserve Association.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Official Seal of the City of Groton, this Sixth day of September, 2025.



Keith Hedrick, Mayor, City of Groton