



Mayor of Providence

David N. Cicilline

December 18, 2008

Honorable Members  
Providence City Council  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Honorable Members:

Pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, I am this day re-appointing Ms. Jodi Glass of 254 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, to the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire in January 2012, and respectfully submit the same for your approval.

Sincerely,

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David N. Cicilline  
Mayor

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IN CITY COUNCIL  
APR 2 2009

READ AND DENIED WITHOUT PREJUDICE

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CLERK

○ **VITA**

- **Name:** Jodi L. Glass, Au.D.
- **Address:** 254 4<sup>th</sup> St., Providence, RI 02906
- **Phone/Fax:** 401-272-4292; fax 272-4295  
[jlglass53@aol.com](mailto:jlglass53@aol.com)
- **Date of Birth:** May 13, 1953
- **Place of Birth:** Brooklyn, NY

**EDUCATION**

- 2004, graduate, Omega class, Leadership RI
- 2002, doctorate of Audiology (Au.D), Arizona School of Health Sciences
- 1975, undergraduate degree (BA), Speech and Audiology, SUNY at Buffalo
- 1976, graduate degree (MA), Audiology, Hofstra University, NY

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

- Eleanor Slater Memorial Hospital, Cranston, consulting Audiologist, working with adults with varying disabilities (stroke, traumatic brain injury, dementia), 1990-present
- Meeting Street, E. Providence, Audiologist, working with individuals (infants through 21 year olds) with multidisabilities, 1996- present; 1978- 1990
- RI School for the Deaf, Providence, Audiologist working with children with mild to profound hearing loss, 1986- 2003; consulting with the RI Hearing Assessment Program Team, Women & Infants Hospital

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES/ORGANIZATIONS**

- UNISONG, founder, 2005, a monthly non-performance community sing bringing together people from various cultures, backgrounds, interests, generations, to learn from a different instructor each month, and do it by singing in a community group.
- co-founder, 2006, RI Raging Grannies, a chapter of a world-wide group of women over 50, singing about change for the better in our culture(s);
- Appointed to the State Advisory Committee of the US Commission on Civil Rights, 2004- continuing service.
- The Women's Fund, a fund of the RI Foundation, member of the Grants Policy Advisory Committee, 2001- 2003
- RI Commission on Prejudice and Bias, 1987- present; coordinator of the Hate Crime Training program, organizing law enforcement trainings throughout the State, regarding Hate Crime identification and reporting
- Gallery LRI, 2004- present, member of organizing community, recruiting artists from throughout RI for this innovative gallery, in the Leadership RI office, Providence.
- Johnson & Wales University Video, 2003, "HERstory", produced and directed by Marion Gagnon, provided background choral vocals as well as accompanying musicians for this project.
- "14 Songs for 14 Singers", singer in Ricardo Pitts-Wiley's Mixed Magic Theatre production, 2004.

- Feminist Resources Unlimited, founder, 1978- present ([www.rifrn.net](http://www.rifrn.net)), networking system and clearing house, which included 2 publications of *The Feminist Yellow Pages*, THE THIRD WAVE: a voice for RI's feminist women, a monthly newspaper and more.
- RI Feminist Chorus, 1978-2002; community group of singers, sharing message of struggle, peace, justice and celebration. (following the influence of the RI Feminist Theatre). Performances throughout southern New England; CD released March, 2000.
- Take Back the Night March, RI coordinator, 1979- present, international symbolic protest of women speaking out against the epidemic of violence against women. State observance has been held in RI for 27 consecutive years (10.18.06 being #28),
- RI Clothesline Project, 1992- present; established state chapter of the National Clothesline Project, an ongoing visual display by women who have survived violence and in honor of those who have been murdered. This project involves individual women, as well as numerous agencies such as RI's YWCAs, Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Talbot House, Dorcas Place, the Women's Prison, and more.
- New Waves: Empowering Women & Confronting Abuse, 1992-1996; activist working in the courts for local agency doing confrontational, court mandated work with male batterers.
- (above is a summary of last 5 years of volunteer effort, as requested; please note that my community involvement has been extensive over the last 30 years; further information is available)

### **HONORS and AWARDS**

- 2006- honored as a mentor, Johnson & Wales University "Women Inspiring Women" fest
- 2006- honored to have the past 30 years of my notes in various areas of community activism included in the Farnum Archives at the Hay Library, Brown University.
- 2003- honored as an "Exceptional Woman" by the RI Women's Center
- 2002- honored by RI Silent Witness Program, Community of Peace Award
- 2000- honored by "Survivor Connections" (RI) for history of community advocacy working against sexual abuse.
- 1994- honored by Greater RI YWCA as a "Woman of the Year"
- 1989- spotlighted by RI's major daily newspaper, *The Providence Journal*, as one of 90 Rhode Islander's to "watch in the 90's".
- 1988- honored by RI Women's Political Caucus as a "Woman of the Year"
- 1981- included in "Who's Who of American Women"
- (over the past 25 years, I have served on a number of Board of Directors, including AIDS Project RI (formerly RI Project AIDS), the Day One RI (formerly RI Rape Crisis Center), NOW, RI Women's Political Caucus and more)

### **PROFESSIONAL STUDY and RESEARCH**

- Analysis of Brain Integration of Auditory Stimulus in Clients with Multidisabilities

- Study of Developmental Impact of Middle Ear Diseases in Infants with Multidisabilities
- Study of Impact of Sex-Exclusive Language on Behavior in Children and Adults

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- Study entitled "Assessing Central Auditory Processing in Children with Cerebral Palsy Using a Bliss Symbolic Response Mode", presented to **American Academy of Developmental Medicine and Cerebral Palsy**, New Orleans, Louisiana, 1986, updated "revisited" version printed in Canadian Audiology Journal, 12/2003
- Above study presented to **Pediatric Audiology Conference**, Newport, RI, 1985
- "Possible Sexist Attitudes by Speech/Language Pathologists Toward Their Clients", in *Language, Speech and Hearing in the Schools*. (Co-authored with Michael G. Grupp) 1980
- 1988- constructed language introduced to the RI State Legislature which would add the categories "disability, sexual orientation and gender" to RI hate crime statistics bill (passed in 1993).
- 1979- authored booklet entitled "Do you know YOU have rights under Title IX ", for the RI State Department of Education, distributed to every child in grades K through 6 (printed in both Spanish and English).
- 1979- constructed language introduced to RI State Legislature eliminating gender-exclusive language in the construction of all future State legislation (passed in 1983)
- 1978- wrote legislative article to Foxboro (MA) town council amending town by-laws to use only gender-inclusive language in job titles (passed)

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS and CERTIFICATIONS**

- American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, 1976-present
- American Academy of Audiology, 1998- present
- RI Department of Health, 1978- present
- RI Department of Education, 1978- present
- RI Academy of Audiology, 1999- present
- RI Speech-Language-Hearing Association, 1978- present
- Board of Directors, RI Rehabilitation Network, 1986-1988
- RI Commission on the Feasibility of State Appointed Interpreters for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired (appointed by Governor) 1983
- RI Coalition for an All-Inclusive Equal Rights Amendment (representing Meeting Street) 1982
- RI Commission on the Deaf and Hearing Impaired (representing Meeting Street) 1982-1984