

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 57

Approved January 22, 1966

WHEREAS, Providence was recently favored with a unique variety of entertainment with a memorable and refreshing festival of performing arts, and

WHEREAS, in that all too brief but most enjoyable period of entertainment which produced versatile talents that satisfied all segments of theatre goers, one personality emerged as an outstanding "Entrepreneur of the Cultural Arts", Mrs. John C. A. Watkins, Holiday Festival Chairman.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that His Honor, Joseph A. Doorley, Jr., Mayor of the City of Providence, Rhode Island and the Members of this City Council do, by the adoption of this Resolution express their gratitude and most sincere appreciation to Mrs. John C. A. Watkins for her dynamic and refreshing leadership in coordinating the Holiday Festival performances, which won public acclaim and resulted in lifting this area of entertainment from the depth of darkened theatre house lights to the brilliance of an opening night and the Renaissance of the Culture of the Perform<sup>ing</sup> Arts in Providence, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is directed to cause to be prepared a duly engrossed copy of this Resolution for presentation to Mrs. John C. A. Watkins.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 20 1966

READ and PASSED

*Joseph A. Doorley Jr.*  
President  
*Annient Regina*  
Clerk

APPROVED

JAN 22 1966

*Joseph A. Doorley Jr.*  
MAYOR

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

*Mr. Masca*

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
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No. 58

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WHEREAS, in the 1940 legislative grant the electorate of the City of Providence was permitted a term of two years of office for its Mayor and its City Council, and

WHEREAS, there are presently thirty five cities in the United States of America, comparable in population to Providence, as shown by a 1965 estimated census, which have four year terms for the office for its Mayors and City Councils this is in keeping with the modern concept of elected officials in that four years<sup>20.</sup> terms afford a better opportunity of becoming acquainted with the complexities of Municipal government, and

WHEREAS, in the period of twenty five years, since the adoption of the current Charter, the fiscal problems of administering this municipal corporation, which went from a budget of approximately seventeen millions of dollars ~~to~~<sup>to 22.</sup> that of about forty-nine million dollars, have of necessity added additional responsibilities and require of its Mayor - Council exposure, so that experience in office is a vital factor for the orderly administration by its Chief Executive and of its Legislative Body, and

WHEREAS, from the point of view of economy, it is estimated that biennial municipal elections in Providence cost its taxpayers in the vicinity of fifty thousand dollars, a cost which would be eliminated each two years,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Assembly is requested to urge passage of an Act providing that the term of office of the Mayor shall be four years and term of office for the members of the City Council shall be four years, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Clerk is directed to transmit a duly certified copy of this Resolution and a draft of the accompanying Act to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and to the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Mr. McCaskey, by request*

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 20 1966

READ and PASSED

*Wm. H. Doyle*  
President  
*Annina C. Cappa*  
Clerk

APPROVED

JAN 22 1966

*Joseph A. Rowley Jr.*  
MAYOR

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, & C.

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1966

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AN ACT

IN AMENDMENT OF SECTIONS 10 AND 11 OF CHAPTER 832 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1940, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO REVISE, CONSOLIDATE AND AMEND CHAPTER 598 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1866, ENTITLED 'AN ACT TO REVISE, CONSOLIDATE AND AMEND THE ACT, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE," AND THE SEVERAL ACTS IN ADDITION THERETO AND IN AMENDMENT THEREOF' AND THE SEVERAL ACTS IN ADDITION THERETO AND IN AMENDMENT THEREOF."

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Sections 10 and 11 of Chapter 832 of the Public Laws of 1940, entitled "An Act to Revise, Consolidate and Amend Chapter 598 of the Public Laws of 1866, Entitled 'An Act to Revise, Consolidate and Amend the Act, entitled "An Act to Incorporate the City of Providence," and the Several Acts in Addition Thereto and in Amendment Thereof' and the several Acts in Addition Thereto and in Amendment Thereof" are hereby amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 10. Terms of office of elective officers. The Term of office of the Mayor shall be four years and the terms of office of members of the council shall be for four years. Every such term shall begin on the first Monday in January next following their election and each such person shall hold office until their successors are elected and qualified."

"SECTION 11. Elections. The Mayor and the members of the city council shall be elected for a term of four years at a general city election to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, A.D. 1966 and quadrennially thereafter. Except

as otherwise specifically provided in this Charter, all general and special laws of the State of Rhode Island pertaining to caucuses and elections of the members of the common council of the City of Providence and all the preliminaries thereto, shall, so far as applicable apply to and govern all elections under this Charter. Where a conflict exists between the election laws and the provisions of this Charter, the latter shall apply."

SECTION 2 This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 59

Approved January 22, 1966

WHEREAS, areas of blight have been found to exist within communities of the State thus creating an adverse affect upon progressive development and of rehabilitation, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the burden of financial assistance, necessary to implement a broad program of redevelopment, is more than the several communities effected can afford.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that in order to assist in the program to eliminate areas of blight in the several Cities and Towns in the State, the General Assembly is requested to give passage to an Act authorizing the State to issue Bonds in the aggregate amount of Six Million (\$6,000,000.00) Dollars to the several Cities and Towns for purposes of redevelopment, in accordance with the accompanying draft Act, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be directed to transmit a duly certified copy of this Resolution to His Honor The Lieutenant Governor and to the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 20 1966

READ and PASSED

*Russell J. Byrle*  
President  
*Annuit. Caspini*  
Clerk

APPROVED

JAN 22 1966

*Joseph A. Rowley Jr.*  
MAYOR

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

*Mr. McCosker, by request*

continued the investigation of the... of 1965, authorizing the... of the... 1965, the... of which... the... of the... by an act passed...

approved or rejected the following proposition:

November, 1965, there shall be submitted to the people for their... to be held on the... the... the...

ART. 3. Proposition to be submitted to people by the General

"The state shall be redeveloped... of 1965."

ART. 3. This act shall be known and may be cited as

Legislative determination.

The provisions of said sections shall be subject to a matter of

may be amended and that the necessity in the public interest for

of such amendments in a public use and purpose for which public lands

create financial assistance as provided herein, that the granting

that such amendments are unable to rehabilitate such areas without

health, safety, morals and welfare of the inhabitants of the state,

development of such communities and is injurious to the public

and the health and safety of the community and the public interest

and the health, safety, morals, and welfare of the state, that the

that there exists in the community of the state a public use, in-

SECTION 1. Declaration of policy.-It is found and declared

PROVIDING FOR SEVERAL AND FOR  
REVENUE



be payable at such time or times and at such place or places, be subject to such terms of redemption, with or without premium, be in such form, with or without interest coupons attached, carry such registration, conversion, reconversion, transfer, debt retirement, acceleration and other provisions as may be fixed by the general treasurer, with the approval of the governor, upon each issue of such redevelopment bonds at the time of each issue.

Whenever the governor shall approve the issuance of such redevelopment bonds he shall certify such approval to the secretary of state; the general treasurer shall sign and the secretary of state shall countersign said bonds and affix the seal of the state. The approval of the governor shall be endorsed on each bond so approved with a facsimile of his signature.

SEC. 5. Proceeds of redevelopment bonds.-The general treasurer is hereby directed to deposit the proceeds from the sales of such redevelopment bonds, exclusive of any premiums which may be received on the sale thereof, in one or more of the depositories in which the funds of the state may be lawfully kept in a special account to be designated as "The state aid to redevelopment fund of 1966," (hereinafter referred to as "such redevelopment fund") to be used to pay the cost or the state's share of the cost or extending financial aid or assistance to redevelopment agencies pursuant to contract or contracts entered into by the state, acting by the governor, with a redevelopment agency in any city or town in this state for a redevelopment project undertaken or to be undertaken under title 45, chapters 31-33, inclusive, of the general laws, as amended, in any redevelopment area in such city or town, provided such project shall have been approved and a contract for loan and grant has been entered into with the federal government under title 1 of the federal housing act of 1949, as

amended. Financial assistance in the form of state grants in aid provided by the state hereunder shall not exceed one half of the excess of the costs of the project as determined by the governor over the federal grant-in-aid therefor. The aggregate amount of state grants-in-aid for redevelopment projects in accordance with the provisions of this act shall not exceed six million (\$6,000,000) dollars. No contract for state grants-in-aid for a redevelopment project shall exceed one million (\$1,000,000) dollars, and no city or town shall receive more than fifty (50%) per cent of the moneys authorized under this act, or any amendment thereto.

Such grants-in-aid may include as part of the state's assistance the demolition of real property, services, the provision of facilities or other forms of assistance as defined as eligible project non-cash grants-in-aid by the housing act of 1949, as amended, and by the rules and regulations as set forth by the duly authorized agency of the federal government; provided, that such non-cash grants-in-aid shall not be construed to be part of the six million (\$6,000,000) dollars authorized hereinbefore, nor shall any non-cash grants-in-aid be computed in the formula for state cash grants-in-aid or restrict a city or town in its eligibility to receive up to a maximum of fifty (50%) per cent of the money authorized under this act as set forth hereinbefore.

All moneys in such redevelopment fund shall be expended under the direction and supervision of the governor. The governor shall thereupon be vested with all power and authority necessary or incident to the purposes of this act, including the authority to make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations to effectuate the purposes of this act. The governor may designate an administrator to administer the provisions of this

act according to such rules and regulations. The state controller is hereby authorized and directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment out of such redevelopment fund of such sum or sums as may be required, from time to time, upon receipt by him of properly authenticated vouchers approved by the governor or his designated administrator.

SEC. 6. Temporary redevelopment notes.-The general treasurer is hereby authorized and empowered, with the approval of the governor and in accordance with the provisions of this act, to borrow, upon temporary notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such redevelopment bonds, from time to time, in the name and behalf of the state, sums of money for the purposes hereinbefore set forth in the proposition provided for in sec. 3 hereof, subject to the aforesaid limitations as to amount set forth in sec. 5 hereof, and to be designated as "The state aid to redevelopment loan of 1966 notes" (hereinafter referred to as "such redevelopment notes").

Such redevelopment notes shall be signed by the general treasurer and countersigned by the secretary of state, and shall be issued at such time or times in such amounts, at such rates of interest, with such provisions for prepayment, with or without premium, acceleration and other terms and for such of the purposes set forth in the proposition provided for in sec. 3 hereof and subject to the aforesaid limitations as to amount set forth in sec. 5 hereof as may be fixed by the general treasurer, with the approval of the governor; provided, however, that the aggregate principal amount of such redevelopment notes outstanding at any one time shall not exceed two million seven hundred thousand (\$2,700,000) dollars and provided, further,

that the aggregate principal amount of such redevelopment notes outstanding at any one time shall not, when added to the principal amount of such redevelopment bonds previously issued, exceed the amount as shall have been approved by the people

Such redevelopment notes may be issued from time to time for periods of not to exceed two (2) years and may be refunded or renewed from time to time by the issue of other such notes for periods of not to exceed two (2) years, but such notes, including all refundings and renewals thereof, shall bear maturity dates not later than five (5) years from the date of each original issue.

The proceeds of the sale of such redevelopment notes, exclusive of any premiums which may be received from the sale thereof, shall be applied to the purposes for which such notes are issued and subject to the aforesaid limitations as to amount and shall be deposited by the general treasurer in the special amount described in sec. 5 hereof.

SEC. 7 Bonds and notes tax exempt general obligations of the state.-All bonds and notes issued under the authority of this act shall be exempt from taxation in the state and shall be general obligations of the state, and the full faith and credit of the state are hereby pledged for the due payment of the principal of and interest on each of such bonds and notes as the same shall become due.

SEC. 8. Sales of bonds and notes.-Any bond or note issued under the authority of this act shall be sold from time to time at not less than the principal amount thereof, at public auction upon sealed proposals to the bidder offering to purchase them at the lowest cost of money to the state determined by the yield for the term of the bonds or notes, as the case may be, being issued

based on the interest rate and the price bid to the state (exclusive of accrued interest), at private sale, or in such other mode and on such terms and conditions as the general treasurer, with the approval of the governor, shall deem to be for the best interest of the state in order to provide funds for the purposes stated in the proposition provided for in sec. 3 hereof; provided, however, that the general treasurer may, with the approval of the governor, from time to time sell any of such bonds or notes to the board of commissioners of sinking funds as provided by law instead of selling them at public auction, at private sale, or in such other mode as above provided; and provided, further, that in the solicitation of bids at public auction, the general treasurer shall require all bidders to undertake to pay accrued interest to the date of delivery of such bonds or notes, as the case may be, and to state the lowest interest rate, expressed in multiples of one-eighth ( $1/8$ th) or one-twentieth ( $1/20$ th) of one per cent (1%), and the highest price, exclusive of accrued interest, (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount), at which the bidders will purchase such bonds or notes, as the case may be.

Any premiums which may be received on the sale of such bonds or notes shall become a part of the general fund of the state and shall be applied to the payment of debt service charges of the state.

In the event that the amount received from the sale of such bonds or notes exceeds the amount necessary for the purposes stated in sec. 5 hereof and subject to the aforesaid limitations as to amount, the surplus may be used to the extent possible to retire said bonds or notes as the same may become due, to redeem the same in accordance with the terms thereof, or otherwise to purchase the same as the general treasurer, with the approval of the governor, shall deem to be for the best interests of the state.

SEC. 9 Investment of moneys in fund.--All moneys in such capital development fund not immediately required for payment pursuant to the provisions of this act may be vested by the investment commission, as established by chapter 164 of the public laws of 1958, pursuant to the provisions of such chapter; provided, however, that the securities in which such fund is invested shall remain a part of such fund until exchanged for other securities, and provided, further, that the income from such investments shall become part of the general fund of the state and shall be applied to the payment of debt service charges of the state.

SEC. 10. Amortization.--For the purpose of paying (1) any expenses incurred by the general treasurer in the issuance of any bonds or notes issued under the authority of this act, and (2) interest and any principal becoming payable from time to time on any bond or note issued under the authority of this act and then outstanding, the state controller is hereby authorized and directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of such expenses, interest and principal out of such redevelopment fund. In the event that the amount available in said fund be not sufficient for this purpose, a sum sufficient is hereby annually appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the payment of such expenses, interest and principal.

SEC. 11. Advances from general fund.--The director of the department of administration and the general treasurer are hereby authorized and empowered, with the approval of the governor, and in accordance with the provisions of this act, and whether in anticipation of the issuance of bonds or notes under the authority of this act or not, to advance to such redevelopment fund to be used for the purposes specified in sec. 5 hereof,

any cash balances in the general fund of the state, provided, however, that the aggregate amount of all such advances made to such redevelopment fund shall be returned to the general fund from such redevelopment fund forthwith upon the receipt by such fund of proceeds resulting from the issuance of notes or bonds to the extent of such proceeds.

SEC. 12 Records of state controller.-The state controller shall maintain and keep records showing in detail the nature and amount of all payments made from such redevelopment fund, and any payments from such fund shall be subject to the aforesaid limitations.

SEC. 13. Effective date.-Sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act shall take effect upon its passage; the remaining sections of this act shall take effect when and if the state board of elections shall certify to the secretary of state that a majority of the qualified electors voting on the proposition contained in sec. 3 hereof have indicated their approval thereof.

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 60

Approved January 22, 1966

WHEREAS, it is the intention of the Cities and Towns to encourage manufacturing and commercial firms to expand their facilities by replacement, reconstruction or remodeling of existing or personal property so that benefits will inure to themselves and to the several Cities and Towns by reason of the willingness of such manufacturers or commercial enterprisers to increase their investments, and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of competent authority that such investments would benefit the labor economy and in turn would benefit the economy of the particular Cities or Towns wherein such plants are located.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Assembly is requested to urge passage of an Act providing for an exemption or stabilizing of taxes on property used for manufacturing or commercial purposes, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is directed to transmit a duly certified copy of this Resolution to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and to the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 20 1966

READ and PASSED

*Arnold Boyle*  
President  
*Annuit Bishop*  
Clerk

APPROVED

JAN 22 1966

*Joseph A. Peckley, Jr.*  
MAYOR

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

*Mr. McCosker, by request*

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, &C.

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1966

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AN ACT

IN AMENDMENT OF AND IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 44-3,  
OF THE GENERAL LAWS, ENTITLED "PROPERTY SUBJECT  
TO TAXATION", AS AMENDED.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 44-3-9 of the general laws in chapter 44-3, entitled "Property Subject to Taxation," as amended by chapter 135 of the public laws, 1962, and chapter 37 of the public laws, 1965, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"44-3-9. Exemption or Stabilizing of Taxes on Property Used for Manufacturing or Commercial Purposes.

Except as hereinafter provided, the electors of any town qualified to vote on a proposition to appropriate money or impose a tax when legally assembled, may vote to authorize the town council of such town, for a period not exceeding ten (10) years, and subject to the conditions as hereinafter provided, to exempt from payment, in whole or in part, real and personal property used for manufacturing, or commercial purposes, or to determine a stabilized amount of taxes to be paid on account of such property, notwithstanding the valuation of such property or the rate of tax; provided, however,

that after public hearings, at least ten (10) days' notice of which shall be given in a newspaper having a general circulation in said town, the town council determines that (A) granting of such exemption or stabilization will inure to the benefit of said town by reason of (1) the willingness of the manufacturing or commercial concern to locate in said town, or (2) the willingness of a manufacturing firm to expand facilities with an increase in employment; or (B) granting of such exemption or stabilization of taxes will inure to the benefit of said town by reason of the willingness of a manufacturing or commercial firm to replace, reconstruct, expand, or remodel existing buildings, facilities, machinery, or equipment with modern buildings, facilities, fixtures, machinery, or equipment resulting in an increase in plant or commercial building investment by such firm in said town; provided further, however, that should the town council make the determination in clause (A) (2) hereof any exemption or stabilization may be granted only as to new buildings, fixtures, machinery or equipment. Cities shall have the same authority as is herein granted to towns except that authority herein granted to the qualified electors of a town and to town councils shall be exercised in the case of a city by the city council. For purposes of this act property used for commercial purposes shall be deemed to mean any building or structures used essentially for offices or commercial enterprises and

not for residential purposes. Except as hereinafter provided, property, the payment of taxes on which has been so exempted or which is subject to the payment of a stabilized amount of taxes, shall not, during the period for which such exemption or stabilization of the amount of taxes is granted, be further liable to taxation by the city or town in which such property is located so long as such property is used for the manufacturing or commercial purposes for which such exemption or stabilized amount of taxes was made. Notwithstanding any such vote of the qualified electors of a town and findings of a town council or of any such vote and findings by a city council all such property shall nevertheless be assessed for and shall pay that portion of the tax if any assessed by the city or town in which such real or personal property is located, for the purpose of paying the indebtedness of such city or town and the indebtedness of the state or any political subdivision thereof to the extent assessed upon or apportioned to such city or town, and the interest thereon, and for appropriation to any sinking fund of such city or town (which portion of the tax shall be paid in full) and the taxes so assessed and collected shall be kept in a separate account and used only for such purpose. Nothing in this section shall be deemed to permit the exemption or stabilization herein provided for any manufacturing or commercial concern relocating from one city or town within the state of Rhode Island to another."

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 61

Approved January 22, 1966

WHEREAS, the administration of the City of Providence is presently undertaking a broad program of redevelopment, which includes residential areas, and

WHEREAS, there is evidence that owners of residential property in this City, mindful of their responsibility to maintain their properties in good repair, often times require some encouragement and incentive

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That in order to so encourage owners of such residential properties to make alterations and improvements and to assist the City of Providence in its program of redevelopment, the General Assembly is requested to urge passage of an Act authorizing the City Assessor of the City of Providence to abate any increase in assessed valuation resulting from alterations or improvements to existing dwellings or portions of such dwellings used for residential purposes.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 20 1966

READ and PASSED

*Russell J. Howell*  
President  
*Annuit Borgia*  
Clerk

APPROVED

JAN 22 1966

*Joseph A. Rowley*  
MAYOR

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

*Mr. McCosker, by request*

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, &C.

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

January Session, A.D. 1966

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AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE CITY TAX ASSESSOR OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO ABATE ANY INCREASE IN ASSESSED VALUATION RESULTING FROM ALTERATIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO EXISTING DWELLINGS OR PORTION OF SUCH DWELLINGS USED FOR RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Tax Assessor of the City of Providence may abate any increase in the assessed valuation of any local tax resulting from alterations and improvements made to existing dwellings used for residential purposes for a period of five (5) years beginning with the assessment date immediately following the completion of the alterations and improvements to the extent that such increase in assessed valuation results from such alterations and improvements; provided, however, that such alteration or improvement must commence after June 1, 1966, and must be completed within two (2) years of the date of commencement. The assessed valuation of such dwelling and of the land on which it is situated, exclusive of the increase in valuation which is so abated shall not, after such alterations and improvements, exceed the valuation appearing on the assessment rolls on the assessment date immediately preceding the commencement of such alterations and improvements; provided, however, that such dwelling and land shall be subject to any general revaluation done on a citywide basis.

SECTION 2. In any case where alterations and improvements include or benefit that part of a building which is not wholly occupied or used for residential purposes but is partly

occupied by stores or otherwise used for commercial purposes, the increase in assessed valuation resulting from such alterations and improvements shall be apportioned so that the benefits of this act shall not be provided for alterations or improvements made to that portion of the structure which in the opinion of the City Tax Assessor is used for other than residential purposes.

SECTION 3. The City Tax Assessor shall determine and certify the reasonable cost of any such alterations and improvements and for that purpose may adopt rules and regulations.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this act shall not apply in any case where there has not been compliance with chapter 1079 of the ordinances of 1956, as amended.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon its passage and all acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 62

Approved January 22, 1966

WHEREAS, it is the considered opinion of the present administration that tax exemptions whether by state or local authority, are becoming over burdensome in the light of greater demands for governmental expenditures, and

WHEREAS, a fair and equitable distribution of taxes is the primary obligation of those charged with the responsibility of the administration of governmental functions,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the General Assembly is requested to urge passage of a Resolution creating a Legislative Commission to study the Laws Granting tax exemptions and making recommendations thereon, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is directed to transmit a duly certified copy of this Resolution to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and to the Honorable Speaker of the House of Representatives.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 20 1966

READ and PASSED

*Thurston*  
President  
*Winn*  
Clerk

APPROVED

JAN 22 1966

*Joseph A. Powell*  
MAYOR

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

*Mr. McOsker, by request*

CREATING A LEGISLATIVE COMMISSION TO STUDY  
THE LAWS GRANTING TAX EXEMPTIONS AND MAKING  
RECOMMENDATIONS THEREON.

RESOLVED, That a legislative commission be and the same is hereby created consisting of seven (7) members; four (4) of whom shall be from the house of representatives, not more than three (3) to be of the same political party, to be appointed by the speaker; and three (3) of whom shall be from the senate, not more than two (2) to be from the same political party, to be appointed by the lieutenant governor; and whose purpose it shall be to study the laws granting state and local tax exemptions and recommend whether in the light of Rhode Island's increasing demands for governmental expenditures a revision should be made in this field of legislative concern.

Forthwith upon the passage of this resolution, the members of the commission shall meet at the call of the speaker of the house and select from among themselves a chairman, proceeding immediately with its study, reporting to the general assembly on or before the first legislative day in February, 1967.

Vacancies in said commission shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

All departments and agencies of the state shall cooperate with said commission and furnish such advice and information, documentary and otherwise, as may be necessary or desirable to facilitate the purpose of this resolution.

The membership of said commission shall serve without compensation, but shall be allowed such necessary clerical, technical and legal assistance as the commission may deem necessary for its purpose.