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CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

No. 37 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, March 4, 2004, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.)

PRESIDING
COUNCIL PRESIDENT
JOHN J. LOMBARDI

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Aponte, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliozzi, Jackson, Luna, Mancini, Councilwoman Romano, Councilman Segal, Council Women Williams And Young - 14.

Absent: Councilman Butler - 1.

Also Present: Bruce D. Todesco, Deputy City Solicitor, Michael R. Clement, City Clerk, Claire E. Bestwick, First Deputy City Clerk, Sheri A. Petronio, Assistant Clerk and Vincent J. Berarducci, City Sergeant.

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IN CITY COUNCIL

Ann M. Stetson
READ

WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE APPROVED.

INVOCATION

The Invocation will be given by the Very Revered Joel A. Lecuivre, Chaplin to the Providence Fire Department.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Expunge the foregoing matter, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Invocation is given by David Peters, President, Providence Firefighters Local 799, AFL.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE DiRUZZO leads the Members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

ELECTION OF CERTAIN CITY OFFICERS

ELECTION OF CLERK OF THE PROBATE COURT

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI calls for Nominations for the Clerk of the Probate Court for the Term 2001-2007.

COUNCILMAN HASSETT, Nominates **MR. PAUL JABBOUR**, and this nomination is seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS**.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, calls for further Nominations and there being none, on Motion of **COUNCILMAN HASSETT**, seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN**

WILLIAMS, it is voted that Nominations be closed and the Clerk is directed to cast One Ballot for **MR. PAUL JABBOUR**.

The Clerk casts One Ballot as directed.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI thereupon declares **MR. PAUL JABBOUR**, duly Elected Clerk of the Probate Court for the ensuing term of six years ending on the first Monday in January, 2007.

PERSONAL EXPRESSION

COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS Requests the privilege of the floor to speak on a Point of Personal Expression and states:

Mr. President, I stand on a Point of Personal Expression. Although it grieves me to have to make the following statements on this wonderful night that we're celebrating the 150th Anniversary of the Fire Department. I feel a responsibility to speak out regarding the article in today's Providence Journal in which the Mayor talks about his veto of our Resolution to hire legal counsel to advise us regarding our responsibility to ratify the Police Chiefs Contract. The course that has led to this point has been a circuitous one and one in which I believe that this Mayor has tried to divide the Council. I am very supportive of the Chief of Police. I would ratify the Contract in a heartbeat. All along it has been my understanding that the Majority of the Council is committed to ratify the Contract. I do not understand why it is so difficult for the Mayor to accept that this Council has responsibilities to the citizens and that the checks and balances in the Home Rule Charter serve to protect the public. Even though the Mayor may not care about the "institutional turf" of the City Council, it certainly

is our responsibility to see that we follow to the letter of the law what the Home Rule Charter prescribes as duly elected city officials. In the Contract the words, "ratify the Contract" are used throughout. It seems to me that it would be more beneficial to the Mayor and to the Chief of Police to have the Contract ratified since it would assure him of security and appropriate raises on a yearly basis. The Mayor's attempt to usurp the Council's authority and to divide the council which has generally been supportive of him will do nothing but bring divisiveness and lack of trust and cooperation between the Administration and the Council. These actions in my mind are reminiscent of the behavior of former Mayor Cianci and this distresses me. Thank You

**Council President Lombardi
Relinquishes The Chair**

**Acting Council President
Pro Tempore Young In The Chair**

**Council President Lombardi
Returns To The Chair**

APPOINTMENTS BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated February 26, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant Sections 302(b) and 10 II of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended he is this day appointing Mr. Bruce D. Bartel, P.E., of 114 Jastram Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a member of the Building Board of Review for a term to expire in January 2006, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Bartel will fill the un-expired term of Paul Adlinger who has resigned). Mr. Bartel will be serving as the Licensed Civil Engineer on the Building Board of Review).

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Receives and Refers the Communication
to the Committee on Finance.**

Communication dated February 19, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Article III Sec. 3.03-

3.06 (a) and 3.08 (a) he is this day appointing Ms. Barbara Fields-Karlin of 200 Sessions Street, Providence Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the Public Sector of the Board of Directors of the Providence Community Action Program, Inc. for a term to expire in January 2005. (Ms. Fields-Karlin will fill the un-expired term of Mr. Warren Heyman, whose has resigned).

Communication dated February 18, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Dr. Andries Van Dam of 55 Nayatt Road, Barrington, RI 02806, as a members of the Providence Economic Development Partnership for a term to expire in February 2005. (Dr. Van Dam will fill an existing vacancy on the Providence Economic Development Partnership).

APPOINTMENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL

Communication dated February 20, 2004, Informing the City Clerk of his appointments of Councilman John J. Igliozi, Councilman Terrence M. Hassett and Councilman Luis A. Aponte, to the Special Commission on Residency.

**COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dis-
pense with the Reading of the foregoing
matters.**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Receives the Several Communications.**

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCES

COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI:

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 2002-37, Approved October 18, 2002, Entitled: "An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 21 of Article VII Entitled: "Tax Stabilization for Industrial Property" of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence.

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1997-19, Approved February 26, 1997, Entitled: "An Ordinance in Amendment to Section 21-169 of the Code of Ordinance Regarding Tax Stabilization, As Amended.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dis-
pense with the Reading of the foregoing
matters.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Refers the Several Ordinances to the
Committee on Finance.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves item
number eleven "Resolution Extending
Sincere Congratulations to the Provi-
dence Fire Department on the 150th Anni-
versary of the 2nd oldest paid department
in the country, founded March 1, 1854",
to the bottom of the docket, seconded by
COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI,
COUNCILMEN ALLEN, HASSETT,
IGLIOZZI and COUNCILWOMAN
YOUNG:**

Resolution Requiring the Chief of Administration to immediately respond in writing to revenue initiatives as requested by the City Council Internal Auditor.

Whereas, During the budget process, the Chief of Administration stated that he would provide amounts from revenue initiatives after the first 6 months; and

Whereas, The Internal Auditor requested the information from the Chief of Administration on January 14, 2004; and

Whereas, A response was given on or about January 26, 2004 that the information would be provided as soon as he is comfortable with it; and

Whereas, It is now approximately 60 days from the six months of the end of the reporting period; and

Whereas, This is an unacceptable amount of time to wait for a response.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chief of Administration immediately respond in writing to revenue initiatives as requested by the City Council Internal Auditor.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI:

Resolution Requesting that the City Solicitor render an opinion regarding a citywide Youth Boxing Program sponsored by the City of Providence.

Resolved, That the City Solicitor is requested to respond to several verbal requests and a written request to render an opinion regarding the potential exposure and/or liability of the City of Providence acting as sponsor of a citywide Youth Boxing Program, and to provide any and all recommendations thereof.

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Superintendent of the Parks Department to conduct a study of the possibility of placing lighting in Donigian Park and also to include a cost estimate.

Resolved, That the Superintendent of the Parks Department is requested to conduct a study of the possibility of placing lighting in Donigian Park and also to include a cost estimate.

COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO:

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to cause the upgrade of street lighting along Tuxedo Avenue, Amherst Street and DeSoto Street to 27,500 lumen.

Resolved, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to cause the upgrade of street lighting along Tuxedo Avenue, Amherst Street and DeSoto Street to 27,500 lumen.

**COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCIL-
MEN HASSETT, IGLIOZZI, COUNCIL-
WOMEN WILLIAMS and YOUNG:**

Resolution Extending Sincere Congratulations to Dr. Edwin Forman upon receiving the Milton W. Hamolosky, M.D. "Outstanding Physician of the Year" Award.

Resolved, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Extend Sincere Congratulations to Dr. Edwin Forman upon receiving the Milton W. Hamolosky, M.D. "Outstanding Physician of the Year" Award.

**COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCIL-
MEN APONTE, HASSETT, IGLIOZZI
and COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS:**

Resolution Extending Sincere Congratulations to Charles E. Maynard upon his retirement as the Founder and CEO of the Providence Center after 35 years of Outstanding Leadership.

Resolved, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Extend Sincere Congratulations to Charles E. Maynard upon his retirement as the Founder and CEO of the Providence Center after 35 years of Outstanding Leadership.

**COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dis-
pense with the Reading of the foregoing
matters and Moves Passage of the Sev-
eral Resolutions, seconded by COUNCIL-
WOMAN WILLIAMS.**

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

**Council President Lombardi
Relinquishes The Chair**

**Acting Council President Pro
Tempore Young In The Chair**

**Council President Lombardi
Returns To The Chair**

COUNCILMAN HASSETT:

Resolution Requesting the abandonment of the
Avenue of the Arts in its entirety for \$1.00.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Refers the Resolution to the Committee
on Public Works.**

**COUNCILMAN MANCINI and COUNCIL-
MAN BUTLER:**

Resolution Reporting Receipt of Certain Gifts
of Moneys by the Board of Park Commission-
ers for the preservation and care of specified
burial lots in North Burial Ground.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Refers the Resolution to the Committee
on Finance.**

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE COUNCILMAN KEVIN JACKSON, Chairman

Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Approved:

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated January 26, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 814 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing Mafalda Cascione of 21 Leslie Drive, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a member of the Board of Tax Assessment and Review for a term to expire in January 2007, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated January 26, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1013 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is

this day re-appointing Mr. James H. Leach of 500 Blackstone Boulevard, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, to the City Plan Commission for a term to expire in January 2009, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated January 26, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 814 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day re-appointing Barbara S. Nonnenmacher of 10 Naples Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a member of the Board of Tax Assessment Review for a term to expire in January 2007, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated January 29, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Ms. Grace Gonzalez of 15 Crescent Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02907, as a member of the Providence School Board for a term to expire on the first Monday in January, 2007, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Ms. Gonzalez will be replacing Mr. Bienvenido R. Garcia whose term has expired).

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated January 29, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 701 of the

Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Mr. Robert Wise of 61 Modena Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, as a member of the Providence School Board for a term to expire on the first Monday in January, 2007, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Wise will be replacing Mr. Eugene Burns whose term has expired).

**COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dis-
pense with the Reading of the foregoing
matters and Moves to Receive and Ap-
prove the Several Communications, sec-
onded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.**

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

**Transmits the Following with Recommendation
the Same be Severally Denied:**

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated January 29, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1011 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Mr. Lance Bay of 44 Alumni Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a member of the Building Board of Review for a term to expire in January 2009, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Bay will be replacing Arthur Salisbury whose term has expired, as the licensed architect on the Building Board of Review).

Communication from His Honor the Mayor dated January 29, 2004, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant

to Sections 302(b) and 701 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, he is this day appointing Mr. Nguda Maila Touray of 40 Victoria Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02909, as a member of the Providence School Board for a term to expire on the first Monday in January, 2007, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Touray will be replacing Ms. Olga Noguera whose term has expired).

**COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to Dis-
pense with the Reading of the foregoing
matters and Moves to Deny the Several
Communications, seconded by COUNCIL-
WOMAN WILLIAMS.**

COMMUNICATION

Communication from Donald S. Iannazzi, Esquire, dated February 10, 2004, Informing the Honorable Mayor David N. Cicilline and Council President John J. Lombardi of the Appointment of Paul Marandola to serve as a member the Joint Safety Committee, in replacement of Salvatore Box who is retiring from his City employment.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Receives the foregoing Communication.**

FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition from Sergio Mazo, requesting permission for a grade change along a portion of Wilna Street.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Refers the Petition to the Committee on
Public Works.**

Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

Stephanie Blank

Marlene Fishman Wolpert

Kenneth L. Staley, Sr.
(Sharon D. Sybel, Esquire)

Patricia Barbosa

Mary Spagnoli

Raymond Marzullo

Edmond P. LaFrance

Pablo Rivera (John N. Calvino, Esquire)

James Isenberg

Travelers a/s/o Pawtucket Auto Supply Co.
Inc/Christine L. Kaba

Daniel F. Griffin

Kenneth Rusko

Lisa Capalbo

David A. Blondel & Lisette Gutierrez
(Edward F. Groucke, Esquire)

Margaret Schlageter (Carly Beauvais
Iafrate, Esquire)

Centrex Distributors, Inc.
(Samuel J. Kolodney, Esquire)

Zabrina Kirk

Thomas M. Glavin

Ian & Aline Platt

Michael Barr

Janet Cole (Joseph M. Martinous, Esquire)

Karen A. Hodge

Cynthia E. Skovron

Whitney Turnbull

Zulma Ortiz and Kathy, Keisha
& Humberto Aponte
(Robert V. Russo, Esquire)

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI
Refers the Several Petitions to the Com-
mittee on Claims and Pending Suits.**

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

“In Congratulations”

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and
the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

Resolution Extending Congratulations.

Resolved, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their sincere congratulations to the following:

Willeen Capeilart, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Ashle Ashby, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the histori-

cal importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Angela Bediako, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative. .

Nashely Godines, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Ethan Gaye, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Lianni Boisseau, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest Sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools' Collaborative.

Lynn Mitchell, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Andreka Britto, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream

Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Genesis Sosa, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Breanna Britto, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Alexa Goneconte, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Tyler Cole, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Whitnee Wells, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Jennifer Jackson, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Katurah Lespinasse, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The

Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest Sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Kiara McClain, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Elton Hold, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Andrew Gonzalez, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Kevin Salinas, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Kieray Cyprien, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Kou Nyan, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Christopher Pierre, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The

Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Linda Rodriguez, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Natasha Kemledy, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Bim Lana, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest Sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Michelle Osei, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Stacey Gyamfi-Darkwah, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Madea Halley, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Stephanie St. Louis, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The

Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Kelsey Freeman, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Sharesse Thitfield, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Kajuana Baker, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Jessica Mardi, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest Sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Taylor Hall, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Yassara Gomes, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Lindsey Brown, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream

Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Naomie Akochi, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Leticia Gordillo, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Menely Flores, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Lyanni Luquis, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Tidi Stewart, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest Sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Jessica Zapata, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Keirstine Price, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream

Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Lynn Mitchell, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Elaine Vixamar, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative. .

Stephanie Hernandez, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Nerssie Charles, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Kerry Oliveira, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Emily Awopeju, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Taisha Suarez, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream

Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Rochelle Carter, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Yajaira Tavaras, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Stephanie DeAngelis, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Tara Lyons, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Emiliano Amaral, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Peter Ashley, in recognition of his valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Jaretta Konneh, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Ashley Olumese, in recognition of her valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Bishop Mc Vinney Regional School – Grade 6, in recognition of their valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of "Keeping The Dream Alive" at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Holy Ghost School Daycare – Grade 6, in recognition of their valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Holy Name of Jesus School – Grade 6, in recognition of their valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Holy Name of Jesus School – Grade 7, in recognition of their valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Bishop McVinney Regional School – Grade 7, in recognition of their valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Holy Ghost School/Daycare – Grade 7, in recognition of their valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Holy Ghost School/Daycare – Grade 8, in recognition of their valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Bishop Mc Vinney Regional School – Grade 8, in recognition of their valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Holy Name of Jesus School – Grade 8, in recognition of their valuable contribution in helping to maintain the historical importance of “Keeping The Dream Alive” at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Poetry Slamfest sponsored by the Providence Catholic Schools Collaborative.

Eileen C. Berarducci, in recognition of the celebration of the occasion of her sixtieth birthday, born February 27, 1944.

Dr. Edwin Forman, in recognition of being the recipient of the Milton W. Hamolosky, M.D. “Outstanding Physician of the Year” Award.

Charles E. Maynard, in recognition of the celebration of the occasion of his retirement as the Founder and CEO of The Providence Center after thirty five years of Outstanding Leadership.

Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCIL WOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

"In Memoriam"

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and
the MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUN-
CIL:**

Resolution Extending Sympathy.

Resolved, That the Members of the City
Council hereby extend their sincere sympathy
to the families of the following,

Albert Conti

Beverly M. Giardina

Corine Black

Rickey P. Barnett

Hilda Lato

Josephine I. Baccari

Laura DiGiglio

Irene Emma

Amedeo J. D'Amario

Michael A. Lisi

Emily Giacobbi

Viola C. Merluzzo

Thomas H. Floody, Jr.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed,
by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on Motion of
COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by
COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.**

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

MATTER NOT APPEARING ON THE PRINTED DOCKET

On motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, it is voted to Suspend Rule 16-B

of the City Council Rules in order to allow the introduction of the following Matter Not Appearing on the Printed Docket.

PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE

COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG (By Request):

An Ordinance Establishing and Granting a Tax Stabilization Plan for Pearl Street Properties, LLC and Pearl Street LLC, on behalf of Tax Assessor's Lot 490 of Plat 29 and Lots 22, 143, and 629 of Plat 30, being designated the Pearl Street Mill Project.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the foregoing Ordinance to the Committee on Finance.

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves to take up item number eleven, seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS**.

AT EASE

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMEN ALLEN, APONTE, BUTLER, DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILMEN HASSETT, IGLIOZZI, JACKSON, LUNA, MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILMAN SEGAL, COUNCILWOMEN WILLIAMS and YOUNG:

Resolution Extending Sincere Congratulations to the Providence Fire Department on the 150th Anniversary of the 2nd oldest paid department in the country, founded March 1, 1854.

Whereas, In October 1754, Providence took its first steps toward establishing a volunteer fire department, and at the request of residents at a Town Meeting, Providence assessed a tax in order to raise money for the purchase of a large water engine, The same act of legislation also required every Providence homeowner to acquire "two good leather buckets" to carry water to the new engine; and

Whereas, Nearly one hundred years later, the Providence Common Council responded to the needs of a growing city and its citizens, thereby passing an ordinance to establish the Providence Fire Department as a paid organization, effective March 1, 1854; and

Whereas, The Providence Fire Department has exemplified 150 years of bravery, dedication and excellence to the citizens of the City of Providence.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby extend sincere congratulations to the Providence Fire Department on its 150th anniversary as the second oldest paid department in the country, founded March 1, 1854,

COUNCILMAN APONTE Moves Passage of the foregoing Resolution, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The Motion for Passage is Sustained.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on Motion of COUNCILMAN APONTE, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, it is voted to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T.), to meet again on THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2004 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.S.T).

Michael R. Clement

CITY CLERK

