

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 523

Approved NOVEMBER 26, 2007

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND TO REQUEST THAT THE FOLLOWING UNITED STATES BUREAU OF THE CENSUS TRACTS BE NOMINATED BY THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO THE ENTERPRISE ZONE COUNCIL FOR RE-DESIGNATION AS ENTERPRISE ZONE PROVIDENCE II: CENSUS TRACTS 7, 8 (excluding blocks 108, 110 and 111); BLOCK 104 OF CENSUS TRACT 9; BLOCKS 105, 107 AND 120 OF CENSUS TRACT 12; CENSUS TRACTS 19, 22 & 25; BLOCKS 318, 319, & 307 OF CENSUS TRACT 37; AND THOSE BLOCKS WITHIN CENSUS TRACT 18 THAT ARE LOCATED ALONG HARTFORD AVENUE; THOSE BLOCKS WITHIN CENSUS TRACT 16 & 17 THAT ARE LOCATED ALONG PLAINFIELD STREET; AND THOSE BLOCKS WITHIN CENSUS TRACTS 16 & 17 THAT ARE LOCATED ALONG POCASSET AVENUE. SHOULD SAID TRACTS BE DESIGNATED, THE CITY WILL USE ITS BEST EFFORTS TO ENSURE FEDERAL AND MUNICIPAL RESOURCES ARE TARGETED AND ALLOCATED TO THE ENTERPRISE ZONE.

WHEREAS, the neighborhoods of Upper South Providence, Downtown, Olneyville, Valley, Smith Hill, Hartford and Silver Lake have lost their competitive edge in attracting business investment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Providence is interested in fostering economic growth and development within the aforementioned neighborhoods; and

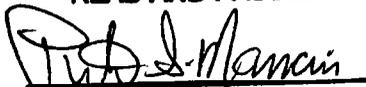
WHEREAS, the economic and demographic conditions existing within these neighborhoods qualify them for re-nomination as an Enterprise Zone pursuant to Chapter 64.3, Title 42 of the General Laws of Rhode Island; and

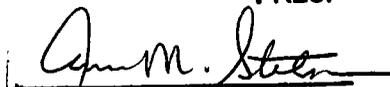
WHEREAS, within the above stated neighborhoods lies the United States Bureau of the census tracts 7, 8, 9, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 25 & 37; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor as the chief signatory of the City of Providence must be authorized to submit the nomination application to the Enterprise Zone Council of the State of Rhode Island.

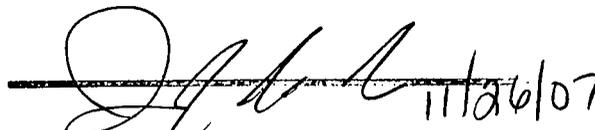
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the City Council of the City of Providence, State of Rhode Island, hereby authorizes the City of Providence, through its representative, the Mayor, to re-nominate United States Census tracts 7, 8, 9, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 25, & 37, as more specifically described in Exhibit "A", and "Map 1", attached hereto and made a part hereof, to the Enterprise Zone Council of the State of Rhode Island, for re-designation as an enterprise zone, and, if such nomination is favorably accepted, to request the Mayor to allocate Federal and municipal resources to the betterment of the economic and social within said zone. These resources shall include, but not limited to: 1) the establishment and implementation of a program of police protection within the enterprise zone; 2) use of federal funds available for the purposes of job training, housing or economic development; 3) the amendment, when necessary, applicable and reasonable, of local zoning ordinances or regulations; 4) the granting of tax incentives when prudently appropriate as determined by the Providence City Council; 5) the cooperation of municipal offices in the administration of the Enterprise Zone.

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Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution
Richard Sant'Anderson
FIRST DEPUTY Clerk
10/29/07

Council President Mancini, By Request

"Map 1"



Legend

-  Providence II
-  1990 Census Tracts



City of Providence
Department of Planning & Development

City of Providence
Enterprise Zone

0 2,000 4,000 6,000 8,000 Feet



Exhibit A

Providence II Enterprise Zone

Census Tracts (including partial tracts and block groups)

Census Tracts 7, 8*, 19, 22, & 25

*No longer eligible: blocks 108, 110, & 111 of CT8

Replaced by:

Blocks 318, 319, & 307 of CT 37

Block 104 of CT 9

Blocks 105, 107, & 120 of CT 12

Added to Providence II:

Blocks along the following streets:

Hartford Avenue from CT19→Johnston line (within CT18)

Plainfield Street from CT19→Johnston line (within CT16&17)

Pocasset Avenue from CT19→Cranston line (within CT16&17)

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WHEREAS, The City of Providence celebrates and values the diversity of its citizenry and has always welcomed visiting delegations from all over the world; and

WHEREAS, The City of Providence has been approached by representatives from foreign non-profit organizations, foundations and government agencies requesting that the City consider and donate retired, surplus or otherwise obsolete vehicles and/or equipment for use in their local communities currently lacking such equipment; and

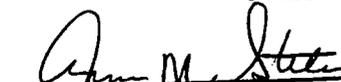
WHEREAS, The City of Providence has made every reasonable effort to accommodate said requests depending upon availability, having donated several retired ambulances, fire trucks and other related equipment to communities in Cape Verde, the Dominican Republic and Guatemala; and

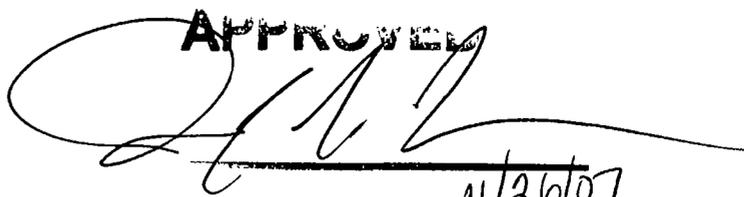
WHEREAS, The City of Providence has enjoyed a fruitful and long-standing relationship with the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority (RIPTA), and has recently learned that RIPTA is in possession of several mini-buses that have been retired from service and considered surplus stock and has offered said vehicles for the above-stated purpose; and

WHEREAS, The City of Providence has recently received requests for donated vans or mini-buses on behalf of the following foundations: Fundación Senador Ruben Cruz, Hato Mayor, Dominican Republic; Fundación Herrera, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic; and Hope of Life Foundation, Zacapa, Guatemala; and has reason to believe that these are legitimate organizations with extensive histories of public service.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council respectfully requests that the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority consider and transfer ownership of three retired mini-buses to the City of Providence with the understanding that a) these vehicles will be donated as-is to the above-named organizations, and b) that above-named organizations assume all liability, expense and shipping costs related to the donated vehicles.

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