

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 3

EFFECTIVE ~~Approved~~ JANUARY 14, 2008

WHEREAS, The Providence Home Rule Charter, Sections 1001(a) states that "there shall be a Department of Public Safety, the head of which shall be the commissioner of public safety"; and

WHEREAS, The Charter further states that the public safety department shall include the Police Department, the Fire Department and the Communications Department; and

WHEREAS, Recent events have demonstrated a lack of coordination and effective communication between the various departments responsible for public safety; and

WHEREAS, The primary function of the commissioner is to administer, oversee and direct public safety efforts in the city; and

WHEREAS, The City requires coordinated plans, policies and rules with regard to every aspect of public safety, especially emergency response, and the commissioner of public safety would establish and be a conduit for such plans, policies and rules; and

WHEREAS, The position of public safety commissioner has been vacant for five years; and

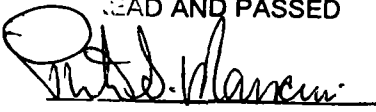

WHEREAS, The City of Providence is responsible for establishing laws, policies, and procedures to provide for the protection of the health, safety and well-being of all Providence residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby request that the Mayor of Providence immediately initiate a search for a public safety commissioner, with the necessary background and experience in public safety management, along with the necessary skills to accomplish the duties as proscribed in the Charter.

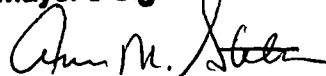
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council hereby requests the Mayor submit a candidate for the position of public safety commissioner to the City Council for approval no later than 60 days from the date this resolution is approved.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JAN 3 2008
READ AND PASSED


PRES.

CLERK

Effective without the
Mayor's Signature:


Anna M. Stetson
City Clerk

