

**THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE**  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 390

Effective ~~XXXXXX~~ July 23, 2001

WHEREAS, Summer applications for Wards Three, Eight and Ten were lost or misplaced five days before the start of the summer program, and

WHEREAS, As a result of the loss, all the summer applicants for the aforementioned wards had to personally appear at the Alderman's Chambers at a designated hour, only to be subjected to waiting 45 minutes to an hour for the Mayor to have a photo opportunity, and

WHEREAS, The administration has implemented a two tier system for summer youth employment and has politicized it for no apparent reason other than self engrandizement, and

WHEREAS, This new policy by the Mayor's Chief of Staff of having to approve all summer youth employment is an unnecessary political entanglement that only convolutes the process, and

WHEREAS, This new policy has, and/or will, cost the City of Providence additional dollars by paying unnecessary overtime salaries, and

WHEREAS, This new policy has caused swimming pools to close early or not open on certain days due to lack of staff and/or staff being overworked, and

WHEREAS, This new policy penalizes certain inner city youth for residing in certain neighborhoods and analogous to defacto discriminatory practices.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mayor's Office and the Office of the Personnel Director, along with the Director of Recreation for the City of Providence, establish and present a written policy and procedure for the collection of application, processing and selection of all summer applicants on or before August 1, 2001 to the Providence City Council.

EFFECTIVE WITHOUT THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE:

  
Michael R. Clement, City Clerk

Councilman Allen, Councilman Agosta and Councilman Jackson

IN CITY COUNCIL  
JUL 14 2001  
READ AND PASSED  
*[Signature]*  
PRES.  
*Michael R. Clement*  
CLERK  
*[Signature]*

DEPARTMENT OF CITY CLERK

Michael R. Clement, City Clerk  
Clerk of Committees

Jean M. Angelone  
First Deputy



Barbara A. Poirier  
Second Deputy

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES REQUESTED

*Allen, Apone + Jackson*

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE MAYOR'S OFFICE, THE OFFICE OF PERSONNEL AND THE DIRECTOR OF RECREATION TO INVESTIGATE WHY ALL SUMMER APPLICATION-FOR WARDS ~~1,2,3,6,8,10,11~~<sup>3</sup> AND ~~13~~ WHERE CONVENIENTLY LOSS OR MISPLACE 5 DAYS BEFORE THE START OF OUR SUMMER PROGRAM; AND

WHEREAS, AS A RESULT OF THE LOSS, ALL THE SUMMER APPLICANTS FOR THE AFOREMENTIONED WARDS, HAD TO PERSONALLY APPEAR AT THE ALDERMAN'S CHAMBERS AT AN DESIGNATED HOUR ONLY TO BE SUBJECTED TO WAITING 45 MINUTES TO AN HOUR FOR THE MAYOR TO HAVE A PHOTO OPPORTUNITY; AND

WHEREAS, THE ADMINISTRATION HAS IMPLEMENTED A TWO TIER SYSTEM FOR SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND HAS POLITICIZE IT FOR NO APPARENT REASON OTHER THAN SELF ENGRANDIZEMENT; AND

WHEREAS, THIS NEW POLICY BY THE MAYOR'S CHIEF OF STAFF OF HAVING TO APPROVE ALL SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT IS AN UNNECESSARY POLITICAL ENTANGLEMENT THAT ONLY CONVOLUTES THE PROCESS; AND

WHEREAS, THIS NEW POLICY HAS <sup>and will</sup> COST THE City of Providence ADDITIONAL DOLLARS BY PAYING UNNECESSARY OVERTIME SALARIES; AND

WHEREAS, THIS NEW POLICY HAS CAUSE SWIMMING POOLS TO CLOSE EARLY OR NOT OPEN <sup>on certain days</sup> DUE TO LACK OF STAFF AND/OR STAFF BEING OVERWORKED; AND

WHEREAS, THIS NEW POLICY PENALIZES CERTAIN THE INNER CITY YOUTH FOR RESIDING IN CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS AND ANALOGOUS TO DEFACTO DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES; AND

NOW, THEREFOR BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE OFFICE OF PERSONNEL FOR THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE ALONG WITH THE DIRECTOR OF RECREATION DEPARTMENT ESTABLISH AND PRESENT A WRITTEN POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR COLLECTION OF APPLICATION, PROCESSING AND SELECTION OF ALL SUMMER APPLICANTS ON OR BEFORE AUGUST 1, 2001 TO THE PROVIDENCE CITY COUNCIL

Taken By: \_\_\_\_\_