

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No.

*Approved*

WHEREAS, on May 16th, 1963, Councilman Charles A. Kilvert and Thomas W. Pearlman of the Second Ward of the City of Providence presented a Resolution calling for a bi-partisan full and impartial investigation of the alleged payroll irregularities by Municipal employees, and,

✓ WHEREAS, on June 6, 1963 a motion was made under Rule 23 of the rules of the Providence City Council to discharge the Public Welfare Committee from further consideration of said Resolution, and,

✓ WHEREAS, in February of 1964 the Public Welfare Committee of the Providence City Council was requested and refused to hold a Public Hearing as required by the Providence City Charter on the feasibility of making a complete investigation of payroll irregularities under said Resolution, and,

✓ WHEREAS, in May of 1964 the Superior Court of Providence County for the State of Rhode Island issued a Writ of Mandamus ordering the Public Welfare Committee to hold a Public Hearing studying said Resolution dated May 16, 1963, and,

WHEREAS, on July 22, 1964, the Public Welfare Committee of the Providence City Council held a Public Hearing of said Resolution pursuant to the said Superior Court Writ of Mandamus, and,

WHEREAS, the Public Welfare Committee has not met since said Public Hearing to consider any action upon said Resolution, and over fifteen months has transpired since it was originally introduced without any action taken thereon, and,

WHEREAS, this matter deserves immediate and prompt attention before records are lost, mislaid or destroyed, witnesses move or die and while information is fresh, and,

WHEREAS, many citizens of the City of Providence demand and have a right to full and public answers to serious questions concerning alleged payroll irregularities; For example:

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- (1)...How can a non-existent person be on the City payroll since 1949?
- (2)...How could the Mayor and City Administration in its annual budget request funds for the weekly payroll of non-existent employees year after year since 1949?
- (3)...How could the City Council approve these budgets every year without discovering such an abuse, and,

WHEREAS, other payroll irregularities may exist in other City Departments in that if such a payroll irregularity continued in one department since 1949, almost fifteen years without detection, it is likely that other such irregularities can be found, and,

WHEREAS, the so-called Kilvert-Pearlman resolution (which provides for (5) five members including a councilman of each party, a Rhode Island banker, a certified public accountant and a representative of Rhode Island Public Expenditures Council) would permit a complete and impartial investigation of all possible irregularities, and,

WHEREAS, the City Administration should welcome a full impartial and complete investigation if there are no other such irregularities in order to vindicate themselves.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

- (1)...That the City Council, by majority vote of all its members present under Rule 23 of the City Council, discharge the Public Welfare Committee from further consideration of aforesaid Resolution which had been referred to said Committee on May 16, 1963, and
- (2)...That the City Council take immediate action and approve said Resolution.

**IN CITY  
COUNCIL**

OCT 15 1964

READ AND NOT PASSED

*Vincent V. Vespia*  
CLERK





CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER  
PROVIDENCE, R. I.

WALTER H. REYNOLDS  
MAYOR

October 9, 1964

To the Honorable the City Council  
of the City of Providence

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 91 of Chapter 544 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence, 1951, I have this day appointed Mr. William A. Greene of Providence as a member of the Zoning Board of Review for the ensuing term ending on the first Monday in June, 1966, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. James B. Donahue, and respectfully submit same to you for your approval.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Walter H. Reynolds  
Mayor of Providence

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IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ AND APPROVED

  
CLERK

October 5, 1964

The Honorable Walter H. Reynolds  
Mayor of the City of Providence.

Dear Walter:

Please accept my resignation as a  
member of the zoning Board of Review.

This has become necessary because I have  
moved from the City of Providence.

I wish at this time to thank you  
for your confidence in me and to say  
that my stay on the board has been a  
most valuable experience.

Sincerely Yours  
James B. Donahue

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

THE CITY OF



PROVIDENCE

I, William A. Greene, do

*solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States  
and of the State of Rhode Island and that I will faithfully discharge  
the duties of the office of*

Member of Zoning Board of Review

*to the best of my ability.*

*William A. Greene*

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I, Walter H. Reynolds, Mayor

*do hereby certify that on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of Oct., A. D. 19 64,*

*I did administer unto William A. Greene*

*duly appointed to the office of*

Member of Zoning Board of Review

*the above subscribed oath.*

*Walter H. Reynolds*

City of Providence  
 DEPARTMENT OF MILK INSPECTION  
 C. V. Chapin Hospital  
 153 Eaton Street, Providence, R.I.

October 15, 1964

To the Honorable, The City Council of the City of Providence,  
 Gentlemen:

The following list of individuals, firms, companies, corporations,  
 etc., with the approval of the Inspector of Milk, respectfully request  
 licenses to sell milk, cream and skimmed milk in the City of Providence.

Respectfully submitted,

*Richard S. McKenzie*  
 Richard S. McKenzie,  
 Deputy Inspector of Milk

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THE BEARERS  
 ROLLAND H. JONES  
 Brown Field  
 Providence, R.I.

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The Great A & P Tea Company  
 583 Douglas Avenue  
 Providence, R.I.

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BARBECUE HOUSE  
 686 North Main Street  
 Providence, R.I.

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BROWN SANDWICH SHOP  
 125 Thayer Street  
 Providence, R.I.

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READ AND GRANTED

*Vincent Vespa*  
 CLERK



CITY OF PROVIDENCE - RHODE ISLAND - Walter H. Reynolds, Mayor

## The Public Service Engineer

Peter J. Hicks, Jr.  
Public Service Engineer

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112 Union St., Providence, R. I. 02903

October 1, 1964

Mr. Vincent Vespia  
City Clerk  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. Vespia:

I enclosed herewith the bill of the Narragansett Electric Company for the month of September, 1964 for the street lighting of the City of Providence.

The total net amount of the bill is \$41,398.30.

Very truly yours,

  
Peter J. Hicks, Jr.  
PUBLIC SERVICE ENGINEER

PJH, JR: jd

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OCT 15 1964

APPROVED:

  
CLERK

  
Received of the Department  
of City Clerk