



Mayor of Providence

Jorge O. Elorza

January 29, 2015

Honorable Members
Providence City Council
City Hall

Dear Honorable Members:

Pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, I am this day appointing John Gaffney, of 50 Union Street, Providence, RI 02903, as a member of the Human Relations Commission for a term to end January 31, 2018, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. Mr. Gaffney replaces Songwe Neville.

Sincerely,

Jorge O. Elorza
Mayor

IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ

WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE RECEIVED AND APPROVED

 CLERK

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JOHN K GAFFNEY

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SUMMARY

Seeking to utilize skills developed over a lifetime to serve the city where I choose to live and which I love.

EXPERIENCE

1991 -

Senior Consultant, *KMA, Inc.*

Principal, *John K Gaffney, Consulting*

- US Dept. of Transportation Federal Mass Transit Administration
- Rutgers University National Transit Institute
- American Public Transit Association
- Easter Seals Project ACTION
- State of Washington Dept. of Transportation
- State of Florida Dept. of Transportation
- State of Virginia Dept. of Transportation
- Chicago Transit Authority
- New Jersey Transit
- New Orleans Regional Transit Authority
- Broward County (Fla.)
- Palm Beach County (Fla.)
- Miami-Dade County (Fla.)
- Harvard University
- Brown University
- John Hancock Insurance
- Fidelity Investments

1999

MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT

ADA Coordinator

- 1989-1991 **MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSIT AUTHORITY** SPECIALASSISTANT TO THE ASSISTANT TO THE GENERAL MANAGER
- 1988-1989 **MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE FOR HANDICAPPED AFFAIRS**
DIRECTOR FOR CIVIL RIGHTS / DIRECTOR STATE PROJECT ON ACCESSIBLE TRANSPORTATION / MEMBER ARCHITECTURAL ACCESS BOARD
- 1986-1988 **RHODE ISLAND HOUSING AND MORTGAGE FINANCE CORP.**
ASSISTANT TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
- 1978-1986 As a result of complications following an automobile accident I became paraplegic.. I was hospitalized from June, 1978 until May,, 1979. I started work as Executive Director of the Rhode Island chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union in June, 1979, but concluded that I required a more aggressive program of physical therapy than that position could permit. With great regret, I resigned that position in the spring of 1980. From then until 1986 I undertook an aggressive program of physical therapy as well as a variety of volunteer activities. This included work with the American Friends Service Committee, ROI Gay and Lesbian Task Force, PARI Independent Living Center and Providence Human Relations Commission.
- 1975-1978 **PROVIDENCE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**
Director, Affirmative Action and Civil Rights Programs
- 1974-1975 **FRAMINGHAM HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION**
Executive Director
- 1971-1974 **NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY, DIVISION ON CIVIL RIGHTS**
Field representative

EDUCATION

- 1967-1971 B.A., Political science, *Fordham University, Bronx, NY*
- 1963-1967 College preparatory and Junior ROTC, *St. Francis Xavier High School, a Jesuit school in New York, NY*



State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

*I, John Gaffney, do solemnly swear that
I will support the Constitution of the United States of America
and that of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,
in addition to the Providence Home Rule Charter,
and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of
Providence Human Relations Commission
for a term to expire on January 31, 2018,
to the best of my ability.*

John Gaffney

*I, Jorge O. Elorza, Mayor of Providence, do hereby certify that
on the 25th day of February A.D. 2015,
I did administer unto John Gaffney
- duly appointed to the Providence Human Relations Commission -
the above subscribed oath.*

Jorge O. Elorza

Jorge O. Elorza, Mayor of Providence

