

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 344

Approved JULY 27, 2009

WHEREAS, Representative Thomas Slater is a lifelong Providence resident;
and

WHEREAS, He attended La Salle Academy and what was then known as
Johnson & Wales College; and

WHEREAS, He has dedicated his life to public service, serving in the
United States Marine Corps and donating his time to help many community
organizations, such as the Knights of Columbus, the South Elmwood Crime
Watch, the South Elmwood Neighborhood Association, the Saint Matthew's
School Board, and the AARP; and

WHEREAS, He has served the people of District 10, which includes the
Elmwood, Upper South Providence, Reservoir, and West End neighborhoods,
since being elected to the Rhode Island House of Representatives in 1994; and

WHEREAS, Throughout his career, he has been a strong advocate for the
poor and the infirm, sponsoring hundreds of bills to expand health care coverage
for the uninsured, calling for the construction of new affordable housing, and
fighting for the RItCare program; and

WHEREAS, For his many accomplishments, Representative Slater received
the 2009 NeighborWorks Government Service Award; and

WHEREAS, Despite a cancer diagnosis and many draining chemotherapy
treatments, Representative Slater has continued his efforts to better the lives Rhode
Islanders, leading the charge for legalization of medicinal marijuana for those who
suffer from debilitating diseases; and

WHEREAS, Representative Slater has been described by his colleagues as a

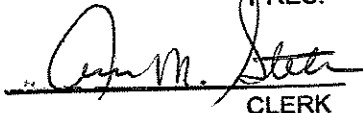
“voice for the voiceless” and “a truly magical person.”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby honor and express its sincere gratitude to Representative Thomas Slater for his many years of honorable service, his unwavering dedication to improving the lives of the people of Rhode Island, and for his legacy of leadership with compassion, courage, and determination.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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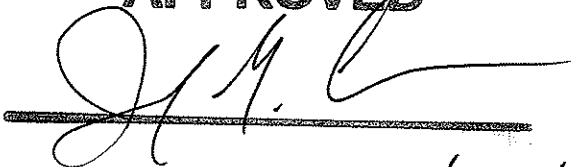


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