

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 621

Approved July 12, 1975

WHEREAS, under 45-5-12 of the Rhode Island General Laws the City Council is authorized to take possession of neglected burial grounds; and

WHEREAS, Locust Grove Cemetary located in the City of Providence is neglected, in a state of general disrepair, is subject to constant vandalism, and is a hazard to the welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, the Locust Grove Cemetary Association, the present owner of Locust Grove Cemetary is desirous of transferring the cemetary and all funds in their possession to the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

1. That the Mayor, on behalf of the City is authorized to accept title to Locust Grove Cemetary from the Locust Grove Cemetary Association;
2. That the Locust Grove Cemetary will be subject to care and maintenance of the ~~Commissioners of North Burial Ground,~~ **BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS** c.c.
3. That the City Council will take and manage in trust the funds now in the possession of the ~~Locust~~ **LOCUST** Grove Cemetary Association and the commissioners of North Burial Ground are hereby authorized to draw upon the principal and interest of said funds for the purpose of maintaining and improving said cemetary. c.c.
4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUL 3 1975
 READ AND PASSED,
 AS AMENDED
Robert A. Ashton
 PRES.
Vincent A. Cianci
 CLERK

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 BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS
 CITY OF PROVIDENCE

Vincent A. Cianci
 Mayor
 approved
 July 12, 1975

Councilman Tomasso
Councilman Mansolito
Councilman Horvath

IN CITY COUNCIL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WELFARE

Vincent Vespe
CLERK

**THE COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC WELFARE**

**Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution**

Vincent Vespe
July 3, 1975 Clerk

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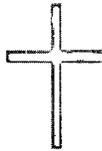
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Saint Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

445 ELMWOOD AVENUE, PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02907

CHURCH: WI 1-9811



PAUL G. LITTMANN, TH.M., *Pastor*

PARSONAGE: WI 1-3991

CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL & KINDERGARTEN

ST 1-8262

June 26, 1975

Mr. Philip F. Addison, Jr.,
City Council Public Welfare Committee
131 Camp St.
Providence, R. I. 02906

Dear Mr. Addison,

On behalf of our congregation and residents in the neighborhood I want to ask you and your committee to act favorably on the Mayor's proposal for the City of Providence to take over Locust Grove Cemetery and carry out the plan for developing a park-like area which will add beauty to our city in place of blight and neglect.

Thank you very much for your efforts to carry forward this worthy project.

Cordially and sincerely,

Paul Littmann, Pastor

LOCUST GROVE CEMETARY COMMITTEE
557 Public Street
Providence, R.I. 02907

June 27, 1975

Dear Councilman,

This letter is to notify you of the urgency of resolving the Locust Grove Cemetary issue at this time.

A resolution was introduced to City Council on 6/24 to the effect that the city of Providence take title to the cemetary. This bill was referred to the Public Welfare Committee.

It is essential that this bill be sent out of committee and passed for the Mayor's signature by the July 3rd City Council meeting, so that our schedule for refurbishment of the cemetary be no further delayed. Any delay in passage of the resolution may mean that we will not be able to get the \$10,000 endowment fund to be used to obtain tools and materials in time to prepare the cemetary for a Fall planting and landscaping.

In passing the resolution there will be no cost to the city. If anything, it will add revenue as property values rise in that area. Visitors to the city will be able to stroll in the historic graveyard, and an added green space will benefit both our neighborhood and the city as a whole, as well as honor the veterans who are burned there.

If you have any questions, call us at 941-9219. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Diane Hansen
Chairperson