

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 298

Approved May 17, 1982

RESOLVED, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to replace the existing 22,000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lamps with 50,000 Lumen High Pressure Sodium Vapor Lamps through the Tunnel under the Railroad Tracks over Promenade Street.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAY 13 1982
READ AND PASSED

Robert L. Lopez
PRES.

Rose M. Mendonca CLERK

APPROVED

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Vincent A. Cianci
MAYOR

Councilwoman Grassie, by Request

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ROBERT J. TINGLE
Senior Vice President

May 27, 1982

Mrs. Carolyn F. Brassil
Providence City Council
City Clerk's Office
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Attention: Ms. Rose Mendonca

Dear Mrs. Brassil:

Our company and several major employers in the downtown area have been deeply concerned about the safety of our employees who walk through the tunnel under the railroad tracks over Promenade Street. In recent months, there have been several incidents in which our employees have been accosted while walking to and from work.

One of the problems is the poor lighting which encourages would-be muggers to lurk in the shadows. I have been told by officials at the Narragansett Electric Company that if the 22,000 Lumen Mercury Vapor Lamps were replaced with 50,000 Lumen High Pressure Sodium Lamps, the visibility in the tunnel would be improved dramatically and would eliminate most of the dark shadowy corners. This would be a very inexpensive solution to the problem and would be helpful to both drivers and pedestrians as well as to the Police Department which is responsible for the safety of those who use the tunnel.

I understand that a resolution by the City Council is required before the lighting improvements can be made, and respectfully ask that you be kind enough to sponsor such a resolution.

Thank you for your consideration.

Very truly yours,

