

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. **613**

Approved September 4, 1953

**Whereas**, D. Thomas Lorenzo, beloved father of our colleague Jerry Lorenzo has been called to his eternal rest by Almighty God, and

Whereas, Mr. Lorenzo's span of years has left memories of devotion and loyalty to his family and to this his adopted Country,

Now Therefore, be it Resolved, that this City Council expresses to the family of the deceased its deepest sympathy in their bereavement and directs the City Clerk to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the family.

IN CITY COUNCIL

SEP 3 - 1953

READ and PASSED

*by a unanimous rising vote*  
*Thomas J. Lundy*  
President  
*Robert L. Lundy*  
Clerk

APPROVED

SEP 4 1953

*Walter H. Kephart*  
MAYOR

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

*Mr. President  
George*

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. **614**

Approved September 4, 1953

Resolved,

**That** the following minute on the life and character of the Honorable Henry Fletcher, veteran civic leader and former Mayor of Providence, who died August 26, 1953 be and the same is hereby adopted, ordered inscribed on the records of this City Council and a copy thereof transmitted to his family.

Henry Fletcher was a native of Birmingham, England where he was born January 17, 1859. He came to this country as a small boy, attended local schools and received a commercial education at Schofield Commercial School.

Early in life he entered the jewelry trade and later established the firm of Fletcher, Burrows and Company which he headed for forty years until his retirement in 1921. His interest in civic affairs led to his election as a Republican councilman from the old 8th Ward in 1898. He continued to serve his city in various capacities until 1931, as councilman and alderman from the old 7th Ward, as President of the Board of Aldermen and as Mayor of the City of Providence from 1909 to 1913. He was elected a Commissioner of Dexter Donation and served from December 21, 1912 through January 5, 1920. He also was a Commissioner of Sinking Funds from 1913 until 1931 and Chairman of Providence Draft Boards during World War I.

During his term of office as Mayor he advocated and advanced plans for the establishment of our splendid water system and gave encouragement to the development of the Port of Providence. His pleasing personality, coupled with his astute business acumen and sincerity of purpose in civic affairs merited the high honors which were accorded him.

Mr. Fletcher's fraternal and civic associations included membership in St. John's Commandery, Adelphi Lodge, F. and A.M., Providence Central Club, Town Criers, Jewelers Board of Trade and Providence Chamber of Commerce. Despite his advanced age he continued to be active and interested in current affairs. Until a week prior to his death he visited his beloved city twice weekly to confer with old friends at the Town Criers Headquarters.

The members of this City Council desiring to put in some enduring form their sorrow in the loss of such an outstanding citizen, hereby express their deep regret in the loss this city, and most of all his family, have sustained in the death of Mr. Fletcher and extend to the family of the deceased their heartfelt sympathy in the hour of their bereavement.

IN CITY COUNCIL

SEP 3 - 1953

READ and PASSED

*by a unanimous  
rising vote*

*Thomas J. ...*  
*Everett W. ...*  
Clerk

APPROVED

SEP 4 1953

*Walter H. Reynolds*  
MAYOR

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

Resolution adopting a Minute  
on the life and character of  
the late Henry Fletcher,  
Veteran Civic Leader and  
Former Mayor of Providence.

*L. A. Howell*

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. **615** NOT PASSED

*Approved*

Resolved,

That

a committee of <sup>five F.L.</sup> ~~three~~ members of the City Council be appointed by the President of the City Council for the purpose of studying all inequalities and inconsistencies, as well as employee grievances, resulting from the new ordinance that has been adopted establishing an employee compensation plan for the City of Providence.

IN CITY COUNCIL

September 3, 1953

Read and NOT Passed

*W. Everett Whelan*  
Clerk

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

*Frank Lazarus*

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PROVIDENCE, R I

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 616 NOT PASSED

*Approved*

Resolved,

That WHEREAS, the breakdown of any State law, at the municipal level, is to be ceaselessly guarded against, and

WHEREAS, it has been reliably reported that within the very City Hall of Providence there has been in evidence among certain employees the illegal and nefarious practice of dispensing lottery tickets by sale, or of the purchase thereof, and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the governing body of this City to thoroughly investigate such report and take such action with respect to its findings as may be warranted under the circumstances,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the President of the City Council appoint a bipartisan committee of three, from among the members of said Council, (1) to investigate the report that lottery tickets are being dispensed by sale or purchased within City Hall, (2) with all powers granted committees of the Council by law, (3) to make findings pursuant to its investigation, and (4) to report its findings with its recommendations to the City Council.

IN CITY COUNCIL

September 3, 1953

Read and NOT Passed

*N. Everett Whelan*  
Clerk

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PROVIDENCE, R.I.

RESOLUTION  
OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL

*For Approval*  
*Frank Lazarus*