

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 497

Approved October 23, 1990

RESOLVED, That permission is hereby granted to Peter and Susan Allen to replace the front porch and stairs on the sidewalk of their property located at 98 Transit Street, in accordance with their plans as submitted and approved by the Director of Inspection and Standards, subject to the petitioners obtaining a variance from the Building Board of Review, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the petitioner will indemnify the City of Providence and hold it harmless from, and against and any all loss, cost, damage, liability, and expense incurred by the City of Providence arising out of the construction, maintenance, and/or use of the aforesaid porch and extension, and

Such agreement shall be in a form satisfactory to the Department of Law..

IN CITY COUNCIL
OCT 18 1990

READ AND PASSED

PRES.

CLERK



**THE COMMITTEE ON
PUBLIC WORKS**

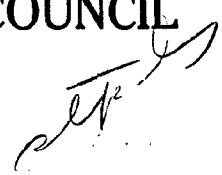
**Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution**

Donna Mendonça
Clerk ~~Chairman~~

October 3, 1990

CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

PETITION TO THE CITY COUNCIL



TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE:

The undersigned respectfully petitions your honorable body

Peter and Susan Allen
98 Transit Street
Providence, R.I. 02906

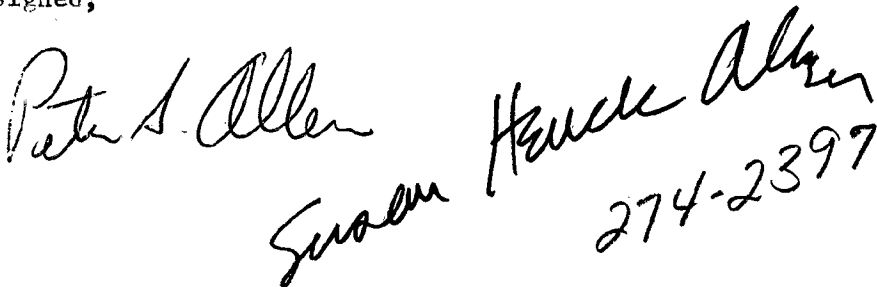
16 August, 1990

We respectfully petition the City Council of Providence for permission to change our front porch from a single run stair to a double run stair. The reasons for this are the following:

- 1) A double run stair is historically correct for this house as indicated by our research at the R.I. Historical Society and the library of the Providence Preservation Society. The accompanying photographs of contemporary houses in the neighborhood support this. *Furthermore, the Historical District Commission has approved this plan. (See attached documents).
- 2) We have, with the approval of the City of Providence, constructed a red brick sidewalk in front of our house and guaranteed its maintenance in perpetuity.

Location of premises: 98 Transit Street
Providence, R.I. 02906

Signed,


Peter S. Allen
Susan H. Allen
274-2397

*These are all photographs of houses constructed between 1790 and 1798. Our house was constructed in 1798.

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FIRST READING
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Rose M. Moulton CLERK

From the Clerk's Desk

Karen L. Jessup

~~ASSOCIATE CHAIRMAN~~

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MARY TURKEL

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



JOSEPH R. PAOLINO, JR.

MAYOR

PROVIDENCE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

"Preserving the Past for the Future"

August 6, 1990

Mr. & Mrs. Peter Allen
98 Transit Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02906

RESOLUTION 90-20

WHEREAS, the applicant, Mr. Peter Allen, applied to the Providence Historic District Commission for a Certificate of Appropriateness for exterior alterations to 98 Transit Street, Plat 16, Lot 351, including reconstruction of the front doorway, removal of the front cement stairs and replacement with a double run of wood stairs, removal of wood shingles and repair and/or replacement of original clapboards and replacement of original decorative trim;

WHEREAS, the Commission members individually viewed the site which is the subject of the application;

WHEREAS, the Commission held a hearing on the application on June 25, 1990, at which time testimony was heard from the applicant and other interested parties;

WHEREAS, based upon the testimony heard and the evidence presented, the Commission makes the following findings of fact:

- 1) The building at 98 Transit Street is located in the College Hill Historic District and is a contributing building to the College Hill National Historic Landmark District.
- 2) The building has historic and architectural significance.
- 3) The plans as proposed are not incongruous with the existing historic structure or the overall character of the surrounding historic district.

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Mr. & Mrs. Peter Allen
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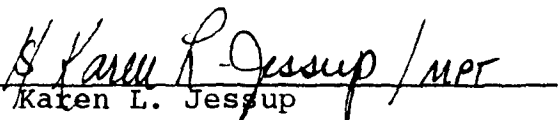
- 4) The construction of a double run of front stairs requires approval from the City Council and the City Properties Committee.
- 5) The plans, as submitted, are appropriate and consistent with the Commission's Standards for Rehabilitation number six in the following ways:
 - a) Architectural features that are being replaced match the original and are based on physical evidence.

Based on the above findings of fact, the Commission concludes that the proposed work is appropriate with the following conditions

- 1) That details of the handrail and balusters be worked out in-house with the staff and Commission member, Mrs. Downing.

A copy of said plans with detailed information for the execution of the work described herein will be made a part of this Resolution and filed by the applicant with the Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards.

The application for a Certificate of Appropriateness is approved.


Karen L. Jessup

cc: Merlin DeConti
David Curtin
Thomas V. Moses, Esq.
Thomas E. Deller, AICP
Peter Carnevale

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DEPT. OF JUSTICE
PROVIDENCE, R.I.

98 Transit St.
Providence, R.I. 02906

5 June, 1990

Director
Department of Public Works
City of Providence
700 Allens Ave.
Providence, R.I. 02905

To Whom it May Concern:

We intend to lay a red brick sidewalk in front of our house at 98 Transit Street (Plat 16, Lot 351) in Providence and we pledge to maintain the sidewalk in perpetuity.

Signed:

Peter S. Allen

(Owners)

Susan Heuck Allen

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DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS
PROVIDENCE, R.I.

Christopher McMahan 97 Transit Street Providence Rhode Island 02906

10 August 1990

Providence City Council;
Properties Committee
City Hall
60 Eddy Street
Providence, RI
02903

RE: 98 Transit Street

Dear Committee:

I am writing you in support of the restoration that my neighbors, Peter and Susan Allen, wish to carry out at their house on 98 Transit Street.

As I understand it, the work includes replacing a single flight of concrete steps with a symmetrical, wood stair and baluster. This is appropriate to the period and consistent with many other East Side houses.

The Allen's have shown me Plans and Elevations of the proposed work. These drawings seem sensitive and ought to conform to the historical nature of the streetscape.

As an architect and resident I look forward to the successful completion of this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christopher McMahan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Christopher McMahan

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Argyle St.



Argyle St.



George St.



Benefit St



Arnold St.



George St.

Compounded a for Starway
All houses shown built between
1796-1798.

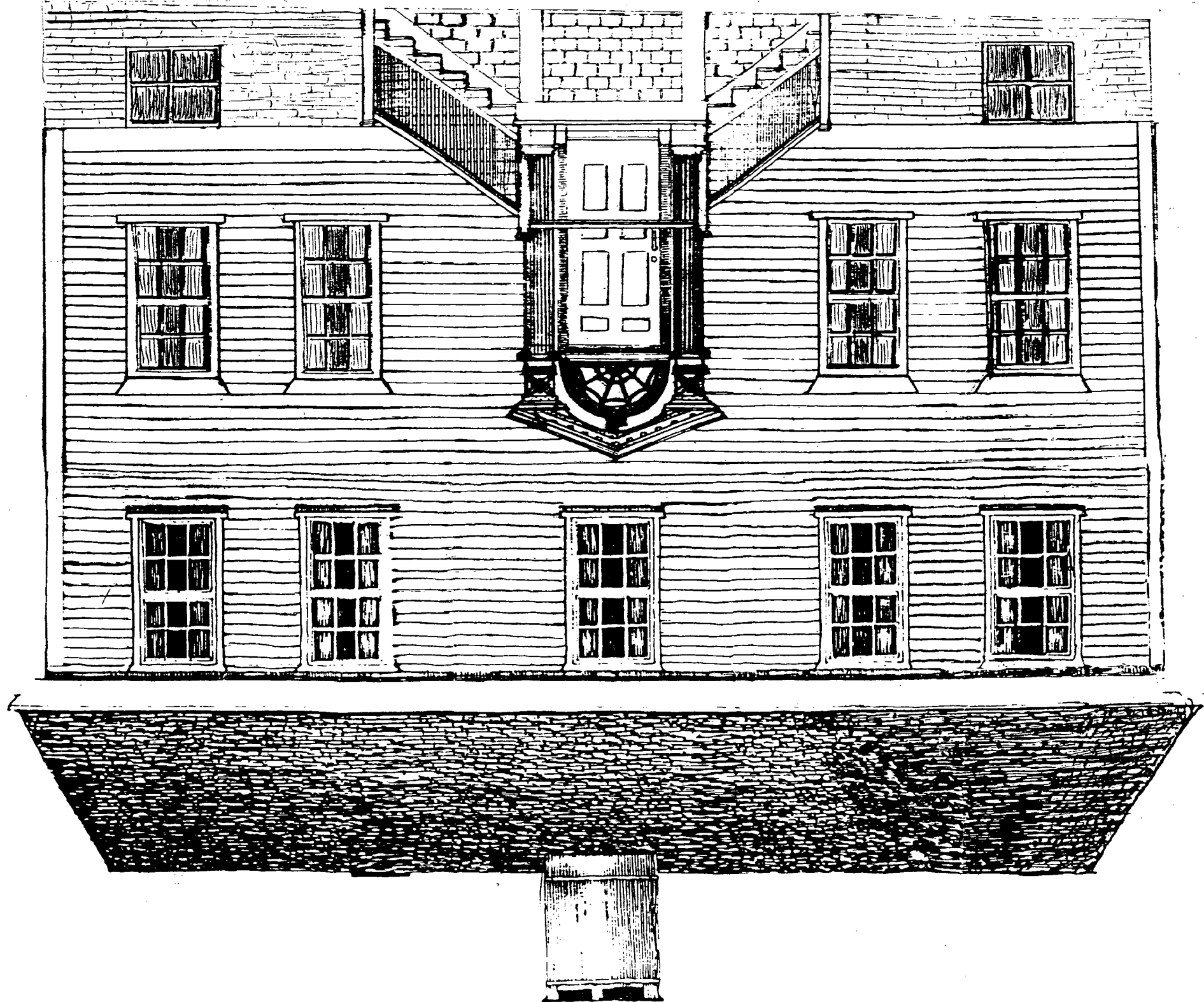
House at 98 Transit St. completed in 1798

8-10-90
Susan H. Allen

exterior

1/4" = 10'

98 TRANSIT ST.
PROVIDENCE, R.I. 02906



City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 12, 1990

TO: Merlin A. DiConti, Director of inspection & Standards

SUBJECT: Replacement of Porch and Stairs - 98 Transit Street

CONSIDERED BY: Committee on Public Works

DISPOSITION: Attached are copies of the subject petition for your study and report back in writing to the above-named Committee as soon as practical.

First Deputy

City Clerk



Department of Inspection and Standards

"Building Pride In Providence"

MEMORANDUM

DATE : September 28, 1990
TO : Committee on Public Works
FROM : Merlin A. DeConti, Jr., *MAJ* Director
RE : Replacement of Porch and Stairs - 98 Transit Street

This Department has reviewed the proposed plan to replace the porch and stairs presently existing on the sidewalk at 98 Transit Street.

This Department has no objection to the City Council approving replacement of the stairs that presently exist on the City sidewalk.

A review of the plans indicate that the stairs as proposed do not meet the present requirement of the Rhode Island State Building Code for tread width, riser height, handrail height, and guard height. This is not unusual since the stairs are a Historical Restoration and would not be built to present day conditions.

Please notify the applicants before obtaining a building permit they will have to obtain a variance from the Providence Building Board of Review.