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**Council President Rachel Miller and Members of the Providence City Council**

Providence City Hall

Providence, RI 02903

**Subject: Recusal from Providence Juvenile Hearing Board**

Dear Council President Miller and Members of the Providence City Council,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to let you know that I will be recusing myself from the Providence Juvenile Hearing Board, effective December 31, 2025. This decision comes after careful consideration and with full confidence in the board's continued success.

I truly believe the Providence Juvenile Hearing Board is in excellent hands—both with the dedicated staff at Providence City Hall and under the leadership of the chair, vice chair, and all its members. Their commitment and expertise give me great assurance that the important work of supporting our youth will continue with integrity and care.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve and for your understanding. Please let me know if there are any formal steps I need to complete as part of this process. I remain committed to supporting juvenile justice in other ways.

**Thank you again for allowing me to be part of this important work—it has been an honor to serve.**

Warm regards,



IN CITY COUNCIL

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WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT  
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

*Ina L. Mastromanni* CLERK