

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 677

*Approved* November 26, 1997

WHEREAS, On Tuesday, October 5, 1976, the voters of the Twelfth Ward of the City of Providence elected Thomas M. Glavin to serve as their City Council representative, and

WHEREAS, From that day forward, the constituents of Ward 12 discovered they had not only elected a public official, but they had chosen an extraordinary young man who would embody the principles of initiative, imagination, independence and individuality which would become the cornerstone of a twenty-year record of service to the residents of the City of Providence, and

WHEREAS, During those twenty years, Tom Glavin learned that it would take great determination to accomplish the small things that would change the lives of so many in his district. It became well known that it was not always the new ideas that inspired Tom, but it was his obsession with the idea that he was being asked to continue the great traditions of the 12th Ward. With this conviction, Tom forged ahead to lead by his actions, and not by his ideas. His labors reminded us that the work of the men and women who serve our fine city would sometimes call for decisive action, and a strength of will and courage to change, and

WHEREAS, Tom Glavin considered his responsibilities seriously, and in his home, his church, his community, and his office, he would work just as faithfully, as if he stood in the front ranks of some great battle, knowing that victory for his family, friends, and constituents depended on his perseverance and skill, and

WHEREAS, Many a political battle was won by Tom's engaging personality, and many times, on the floor of the Council, his love of the English language proved to outwit and conquer many a contender! He was not as concerned about the popularity of his opinions as he was about the general welfare of "his" constituents, and "his" city, which many times placed Tom on a road less traveled. Nonetheless, he would debate, counsel, banter, and assemble an army of the "majority" and ultimately forge a consensus that would prove valuable to the residents of our city, and

WHEREAS, Tom Glavin is a man of strength, a man of conviction, a true public servant who welcomed the challenge - not only to question why, but to endure the sacrifice - to serve his community and his family with the most important gifts a man can give - his labor and his love.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the members of the Providence City Council, and the residents of the City of Providence, on this 21st day of November, 1997, honor and recognize Councilman Thomas M. Glavin for his twenty years of dedicated service as a true student of government. Our best wishes to his wife Debbie, his daughters Alison and Catherine - and we thank them for "lending" us their most precious possession for the past two decades.

Council President Targnoli, Councilmen Allen, Clarkin, De Leo, Councilwoman Di Leo,  
 Councilwoman Hassoth, Jackson, Lombardi, Mancini, Councilwoman Niles, Councilwoman Quinn,  
 Councilwoman Young.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
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