

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 20

Approved February 1, 2010

WHEREAS, Every two and a half days through the country, a law enforcement officer is killed in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, Time is of the essence in apprehending the perpetrators of these tragic murders, because for every mile fled, the chance of capture decreases accordingly; and

WHEREAS, To complement the work of detectives and officers, the police depend on "eyes and ears" on the street to help them track and apprehend violent criminals; and

WHEREAS, By issuing information to the public in a timely manner, Amber Alerts have been effective in the successful locating of kidnapped and lost children; and

WHEREAS, C.O.P.S. (Concerns of Police Survivors) is a national organization representing families and loved ones of fallen police officers; and

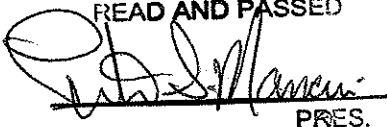
WHEREAS, C.O.P.S. has established a new program called "Blue Alert" which would issue information on suspected assailants who have fled the scene of a crime involving an officer who has been killed or injured; and

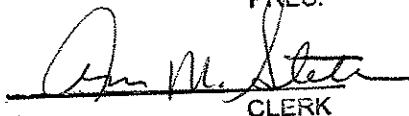
WHEREAS, Blue Alert has been implemented by the states of Florida, Oklahoma, and Texas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby urge the Rhode Island General Assembly to approve legislation establishing a "Blue Alert" program in the State of Rhode Island.

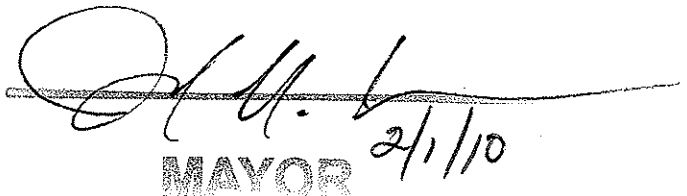
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon adoption, a copy of this resolution be forwarded to every municipality in Rhode Island, along with a request that the city or town council consider passing a similar resolution.

IN CITY COUNCIL
JAN 21 2010
READ AND PASSED


PRES.


CLERK

APPROVED


MAYOR 2/1/10