

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 166

Approved May 26, 2020

WHEREAS, Sharon Conard-Wells has served as the executive director of the West Elmwood Housing Development Corporation for over 25 years; and

WHEREAS, During her time as executive director, Sharon has been a driving force behind the transformation of the West End neighborhood, raising over \$115,000,000 for real estate and community development projects; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Conard-Wells has directly improved the quality of life for the residents of the City of Providence through her time as executive director of the West Elmwood Housing Development Corporation by revitalizing the neighborhood and also by serving as an inspiration to women of color throughout the City and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Through her years of dedicated service to her community, Sharon has gained the reputation of being a leader and a trailblazer with her firm commitment to a comprehensive, collaborative, placed-based approach to community development and her courage and tenacity has created a legacy that extends far beyond her field; and

WHEREAS, Sharon has paved the way for women of color by setting a shining example of what can be achieved through hard work, dedication, and a commitment to the local community; and

WHEREAS, Sharon has recently announced that she will be stepping down as the executive director of the West Elmwood Housing Development Corporation but intends to remain involved in her new role as the Director of Special Projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby recognize Sharon Conard-Wells for her dedicated service to the residents of City of Providence through her more than 25 years serving as the executive director of the West Elmwood Development Neighborhood Association.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAY 21 2020

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I HEREBY APPROVE.

Mayor
Date: 5/26/20