

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 314

EFFECTIVE ~~XXXXXX~~ June 29, 2009

WHEREAS, The City Council approved Resolution Number 261 at its meeting held May 19, 2005, urging the International Association of Fire Fighters Local 799 and the City administration to negotiate a contract with fair and equitable terms for all interested parties; and

WHEREAS, Four years later, a new contract has not been negotiated; and

WHEREAS, The last contract negotiated between the firefighters and the City expired in June 2001, and all contracts since then have been settled through arbitration; and

WHEREAS, The failure to resolve the contract dispute has come at the expense of firefighter morale, and has cost the City and taxpayers millions of dollars in arbitration; and

WHEREAS, The last arbitration award was for fiscal year 2003-2004; and

WHEREAS, The firefighters have submitted repeated offers to pay a percentage of their health care, and are willing to negotiate the cost-of-living-adjustments (COLAs) for retirees.

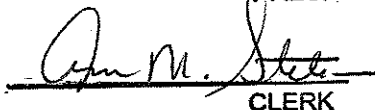
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby renew its call for Local 799 and the City administration to resolve the longstanding contract dispute, and negotiate a fair and equitable contract without further delay.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council, along with residents of Providence, recognize the valuable life-saving work performed by the men and women of the Providence Fire Department, their unselfish commitment to community, both on and off duty, and their continuing efforts to improve the quality of life throughout the neighborhoods of the city.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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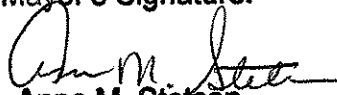


PRES.



CLERK

Effective without the
Mayor's Signature:


Anna M. Stetson
City Clerk

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RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 261

EFFECTIVE ~~Approved~~ May 30, 2005

WHEREAS, For many years, the Providence Fire Department has provided courageous and honorable service to the residents of the City of Providence; and

WHEREAS, Since 1944, the International Associations of Firefighters Local 799 has represented the Firefighter's of the City of Providence as the collective bargaining agent; and

WHEREAS, Employment on the Providence Fire Department requires that firefighters put themselves in harm's way to protect the residents of the City of Providence; and

WHEREAS, Providence Firefighters have been working without a contract for almost 5 years; and

WHEREAS, Providence Firefighters have agreed to co-share in the cost of their healthcare; and

WHEREAS, The failure to resolve this issue has had a demonstrable effect on the morale and working conditions of the men and women of the Providence Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, We, the elected members of the Providence City Council do not desire to see firefighters work any longer without a fair and equitable contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this body of elected members of the Providence City Council hereby urges both parties---union and management, to resolve this contract with fair and equitable terms for all interested parties, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this body calls upon the Mayor and the Providence Firefighters Union to resolve this longstanding dispute without further delay; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the members of the City Council along with the residents of the City of Providence, recognize the valuable life saving work performed by the men and women of the Providence Fire Department, their unselfish commitment to the community both on and off duty thru the years and their continuing efforts to improve the quality of life throughout the neighborhoods of the city.

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 19 2005
READ AND PASSED
Michael R. Clement
PRES.
Michael R. Clement
CLERK

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Mayor's Signature:

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