

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

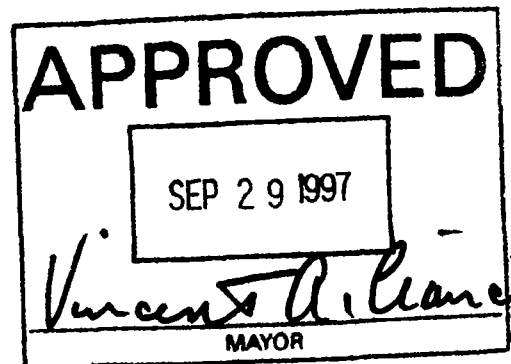
No. 570

Approved September 29, 1997

RESOLVED, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their sincere best wishes of to Louis Orabona for a complete and speedy recovery from his recent surgery.

IN CITY COUNCIL
SEP 18 1997
READ AND PASSED

Errolyn V. Fargnoli
PRES
Michael L. Clement
CLERK



Counselman Lombardi

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 571

Approved September 29, 1997

RESOLVED, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere congratulations to Council President Evelyn V. Fargnoli upon the birth of her granddaughter, Lesley Anne, born on August 25, 1997.

IN CITY COUNCIL
SEP 18 1997
READ AND PASSED

Evelyn V. Fargnoli
PRES.

Michael L. Clement
CLERK

APPROVED

SEP 29 1997

Vincent A. Cianci
MAYOR

Council President Pro Tempore Lombardi; Councilmen Allen, Carlini, De Luca, Councilwoman
Di Luzzo, Councilman Hasset, Johnson, Mancini, Councilwoman Nolan, Councilman Rallio,
Councilwoman Roman, Sullivan & Young

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WHEREAS, Mother Teresa was born Agnes Ganxhe Bojaxhiu to Albanian parents in Skopje, in what is not the Yugoslavian republic of Macedonia, on August 26, 1910, and

WHEREAS, Already when she was a little child she used to assist the poor by taking food to them every day like our mother, and

WHEREAS, At age 18, she left home to join the Irish branch of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary, known as the Loreto Sisters. After training at their institutions in Dublin and in Darjeeling, India, she made her first vows as a nun in 1928 and her final vows nine years later, and

WHEREAS, Mother Teresa founded the Missionaries of Charity in Calcutta in 1950. According to a 1995 tally, the order has about 4,500 professed sisters in about 550 convents in 126 countries, and

WHEREAS, In 1952 Mother Teresa opened the Nirmal Hriday (Pure Heart) Home for Dying Destitutes in a dormitory-formerly a hostel attached to a Hindu temple dedicated to the god Kali-donated by the City of Calcutta. Although some of those taken in survive, the primary function of the home is, as one Missionary of Charity explained, to be a shelter where the dying poor may die in dignity. Tens of thousands of people have been cared for in the home since it opened, and

WHEREAS, Twenty one years later, when President Ronald Reagan presented her with the presidential Medal of Freedom at the White House, he called her a "heroine of our times" and noted that the plaque honoring her described her as the "saint of the gutters", and

WHEREAS, Mother Teresa's attitude toward money was that "God will provide." "Money-I never think of it," she once said, and

WHEREAS, When Mother Teresa received the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo, Norway, December 10, 1979, she accepted it "in the name of the hungry, of the naked, of the homeless, of the blind, of the lepers, of all those who feel unwanted, unloved, uncared for throughout society", and

Council President Targallo, Counselors Allen, Clarkin, De Luca, Counselors De Ruyse,
Counselors Hassett, Jachon, Lombardi, Mariani, Counselors Nolan, Counselor Rollins,
Counselors Romero, Sullivan & Young

WHEREAS, The 87- year old nun had founded the Missionaries of Charity and won the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize. Even after health problems led her to resign as head of the Missionaries of Charities in 1990, her order re-elected her as superior, and she continued traveling at a pace that would have tired people half her age. It was not until March 12 of t his year, after health problems that recurred more frequently, that the Missionaries of Charity elected her successor, Sister Nirmala Joshi. The tiny wizened Mother Teresa in here familiar white and blue sari has traveled the world to deliver a single message: that love and caring are the most important things in the world, and

WHEREAS, On June 5, during her last visit to the United States, she was awarded the Congressional Gold Medal in recognition of her humanitarian activities around the world. In a ceremony in the Capitol Rotunda, Mother Teresa was praised by House and Senate leaders and Washington Cardinal James A. Hickey for her example of serving the poor and unwanted, and

WHEREAS, Calcutta, India-Mother Teresa, who died of cardiac arrest September 5, 1997 at her order's headquarters in Calcutta and has been widely acclaimed as a living saint.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Mayor, along with the Members of the Providence City Council, extend their heartfelt sympathy to the Missionaries of Charity and that her presence be in all of our hearts forever.

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Paul V. Fargnoli
PRES.

Michael L. Clement
CLERK

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MAYOR