

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 387

Approved July 20, 2012

RESOLVED, That the following Minute of the life and character of the late Joseph DeLuca, Member of the Providence City Council for twenty years, serving from January 7, 1991 to January 3, 2011, is hereby adopted, ordered and inscribed in the records of the City Council, and a duly certified copy is to be transmitted to the family.

MINUTE

Joseph DeLuca was born in Panni, Italy, a small mountaintop town, in 1948. He moved with his parents, two brothers and a sister to the United States at the age of 10 and settled in the Mount Pleasant neighborhood in Providence, where he lived his entire life.

Councilman DeLuca attended Central High School, was captain of the state champion football team, and also was an all-New England champion in high school wrestling. He served in the United States Army, receiving a Bronze Star for his service in the Vietnam War, along with several campaign service medals.

After his military service, Joe studied engineering for several years before taking a job as an adolescent substance abuse counselor and became certified in substance abuse counseling and worked in the profession for 14 years. Later, he became a self-employed real estate agent and contractor. A lifelong football fan, Joe also was very active in his community. He was a youth athletic coach for football and wrestling, and was founder and chairman of the Rhode Island Flag Football League.

Councilman DeLuca was elected to serve on the Providence City Council in January 1991, and represented the residents of the Sixth Ward for 20 years. During his tenure on the Council, DeLuca served on numerous committees, including the City Property; Employees' Retirement System; Finance; Public Works; Urban Redevelopment, Renewal, and Planning; and the Special Committee on Public Education, as well as the Water Supply Board, and the Providence Community Action Program (PROCAP) Board of Directors.

As a council member, Joe was committed to mastering the Providence City Charter and all the laws of the City, which he did so eloquently. He served the people of Providence with distinction, upholding the powers and duties of the City Council, and fulfilling his responsibilities on this Honorable body.



A devout father, husband, grandfather and brother, his dedication to his wife Leslie, his children, Michelina, Lucia, Joseph and John, his grandchildren, brothers and sisters, was infinite.

With his passing, Joseph DeLuca will be missed and mourned by his legion of friends and associates to whom he has bequeathed a wealth of fond, wonderful memories, and may God, in His Wisdom, bestow upon Joseph DeLuca, Eternal Rest, and to his family, peace and tranquility.

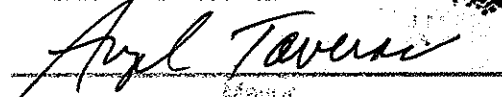
IN CITY COUNCIL

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I HEREBY APPROVE.


Mayor
Date: 7/20/12