

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 148

Approved April 10, 2023

WHEREAS, As a nation, we rely on our men and women in uniform to safeguard our national security, advance our national interests, preserve our rights and freedoms, and defend our way of life; and

WHEREAS, Those who serve in the Armed Forces shoulder the burden of long periods away from their families, often dangerous training and deployments, and inherent physical, mental, and emotional risks, and we owe them an unmeasurable debt; and

WHEREAS, The State of Rhode Island is home to approximately 54,121 veterans representing 6.4% of the state's adult population; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island has a long-standing relationship with the armed services and is the proud home of the U.S. Naval War College, the Veterans Memorial Auditorium, the Quonset Point Air National Guard Base, the Rhode Island Army National Guard, the U.S. Coast Guard Station Point Judith; and

WHEREAS, The Providence City Council recognizes and honors the service and sacrifice of members of the Armed Forces and veterans who sacrifice themselves for the defense of our country.

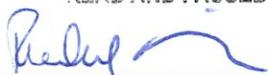
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby establishes the City of Providence Special Commission on Veterans Affairs, the purpose of which shall be to coordinate and manage veterans' affairs in the city.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City of Providence Special Commission on Veterans Affairs shall be comprised of 9 members. Members may include:

- The Mayor or his designee
- 2 City Council members
- A representative from the Rhode Island Office of Veterans Affairs
- A representative from the American Legion -Lts. Armstrong-Gladding
- A representative from Operation Stand Down Rhode Island
- A representative from the Hispanic / Latino American Veterans Association
- A representative from Women Veterans of RI
- A representative from Asian American Veterans

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Mayor of Providence, the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, the Senate Special Legislation and Veterans' Committee, the R.I Air National Guard Command, RI Army National Guard, the Adjutant General of the State of Rhode Island, and the Rhode Island Congressional Delegation.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
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READ AND PASSED

  
RACHEL W. MILLER, PRESIDENT  
  
Tina L. Mastrosanni  
CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

  
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Mayor

Date: 4/10/2023