

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 181

Approved June 9, 2020

WHEREAS, Local Leaders are well into the process of proposing local budgets while navigating the intricacies of the COVID-19 pandemic response; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Island Cities and towns are committed to providing quality services and cost controls that would avoid any additional tax burdens to Rhode Islanders; and

WHEREAS, The Rhode General Assembly has recently returned to take up the critical business of starting the state's annual budget; and

WHEREAS, The most recent state revenue estimating conference suggests at least an Eight Hundred Million Dollar (\$800,000,000) structural deficit within the state budget; and

WHEREAS, Rhode Islanders are experiencing great financial hardship and local communities have faced new costs associated with the pandemic response including personal protective equipment, emergency orders, new technology.

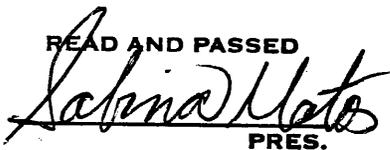
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council respectfully requests that the General Assembly commit to level funding local aid to enable cities and towns to move forward and construct local budgets with a higher degree of certainty.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Providence City Clerk transmit forthwith a copy of this Resolution to the Governor and to all members of the Rhode Island General Assembly.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUN 04 2020

READ AND PASSED

  
PRES.

  
CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

  
Mayor  
Date: 6/9/20