

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 211

Approved May 9, 1997

RESOLVED, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Union Street between Westminster and Washington Streets on Saturday, June 14, 1997 between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m., to accommodate Rhode Island Taking Action, Inc. (RITA'S Place) fundraising Block Party.

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 1 1997
READ AND PASSED

Evelyn V. Farquah

PRES.

Michael R. Clement

CLERK

APPROVED

MAY 9 1997

Vincent A. Cimino

MAYOR

Councilman Lombardi (By request)

**RHODE ISLANDER'S
TAKING ACTION INC.**RITA's Place
RITA's Pantry
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April 25, 1997

Councilman John Lombardi
376 Broadway
Providence, RI 02903

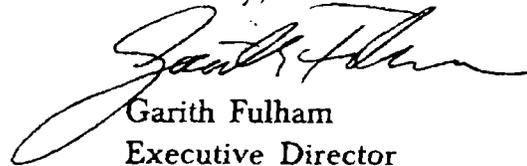
Dear Councilman Lombardi,

Rhode Islanders Taking Action, Inc. (RITA's Place), a grass-roots HIV/AIDS organization located at 112 Union Street would like to have a fundraising block party to support our organization. We would like to hold the ***Unity is the Key*** Block Party on Saturday, June 14, 1997. We request authorization to close down Union Street between Westminster and Washington Streets (the Shepard Building block). The hours the street would be closed from 10:00 am until 2:00 am. The hours of the block party would be from 2:00 pm to 1:00 am. We have gone before the licensing committee and they have pre-approved these hours depending on the outcome of the City Council's decision. We have corresponded with URI Extension Campus located in the Shepard Building and they do not have a problem with this event taking place. They are, in fact, allowing us to put signage up in their building. This will be held in collaboration with Lupo's Nightclub, Strong Roots, a Johnson & Wales University multi-cultural student organization, and with five university fraternities and sororities. We also have the support of many other churches and community organizations who will be participating in this event.

We have also been in contact with the Mayor's office who has supported us in the past and are supporting this event taking place. We would hope that the City Council will follow the Mayor's lead in this day of unity.

We thank you for your time and consideration of this request and hope to hear a positive response from you as soon as possible. If you have any questions or if there is anything RITA's can do to assist you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,


Garith Fulham
Executive Director



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UNITY IS THE KEY BLOCK PARTY

June 14, 1997

Proposed Schedule of Union Street Closing

- 10:00 am - shutdown between Westminster and Washington Streets (the Shepard Building block)
- 2:00 pm - event will begin (security will be in place)
- 8:00 pm - six Providence police officers will go on duty
- 10:00 pm to 2:00 am - ten Providence police officers will be on duty; two will be on horseback and one K-9 patrol
- 12:30 am - street music will stop
- 1:00 am - street event closes
- 1:00 am to 2:00 am - breakdown/clean up
- 2:00 am - street re-opens

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