

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 709

Approved December 20, 2002

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Extend Sincere Congratulations to Mabel Dunn for her dedicated service as a member of the 11<sup>th</sup> Ward Democratic Committee, serving from 1976 to 2002.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
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READ AND PASSED

*Barbara Young*  
PRES.  
*Michael Clement*  
CLERK

APPROVED  
*John Lombardi*  
MAYOR

*John Lombardi*  
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Acting Council President Young

**MABEL DUNN, 344 BLACKSTONE ST., PROV., R.I. 02907**

MABEL DUNN WAS APPOINTED TO THE 11<sup>TH</sup> WARD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE IN 1976, AND THERE AFTER HAD BEEN RE-ELECTED TO SERVE WARD 11 IN EACH DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION HELD DURING THE PAST 26 YEARS. SHE SERVED AS AN 11TH WARD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE MEMBER FOR OVER A QUARTER OF A CENTURY, UNTIL SHE DECLINED TO RUN IN THE 2002 DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY.

MARRIED TO THE LATE, ARTHUR DUNN, SHE HAD 1 SON, BRUCE DUNN, WHO DIED AT THE AGE OF 34 DUE TO ILLNESS. HER HUSBAND, ARTHUR DUNN WAS A GRADUATE OF PROVIDENCE COLLEGE & BOSTON COLLEGE; A PROVIDENCE POLICE OFFICER; A STATE WARDEN; AND HE WORKED FOR THE DEPT. OF JUSTICE. A REGISTERED NURSE, MABEL GRADUATED IN 1951 FROM NEW ENGLAND DEACONESS HOSPITAL SCHOOL WITH A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE IN NURSING. IN 1960 SHE RECEIVED A MASTERS DEGREE IN HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATION FROM RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE. SHE OWNED AND OPERATED THE 14 BED, DUNN NURSING HOME IN LINCOLN, R.I. SHE LATER OPENED HER PROVIDENCE LOCATION, MABEL DUNN NURSING HOME ON BLACKSTONE STREET.

THE DUNNS ARE THE DESCENDENTS OF TWO FORMER PROVIDENCE MAYORS, WHO HAVE THEIR PHOTOS PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED AT CITY HALL, MAYOR JAMES DUNN, AND MAYOR JOSEPH GANOR, THE MAYOR RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PURCHASE OF WATER RIGHTS TO THE SCITUATE RESERVOIR. MABEL DUNN WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE CRANSTON METHODIST CHURCH,

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AND THE SALVATION ARMY OVER THE YEARS. MABEL DUNN HAS ALWAYS BEEN AN ACTIVE, AND VOCAL COMMUNITY LEADER IN WARD 11, STANDING UP FOR THE RIGHTS OF THE AVERAGE HOMEOWNERS AND RESIDENTS ON TAX ISSUES, CRIME, TRAFFIC, ETC. AND AS SHE ACTIVELY REPRESENTED WARD 11 DURING THE PAST 26 YEARS ON THE 11<sup>TH</sup> WARD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE.

NO LONGER A MEMBER OF THE WARD 11TH DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE, SHE WILL CONTINUE TO SPEAK OUT WHENEVER & WHEREVER NECESSARY OVER IMPORTANT TOPICS & ISSUES THAT CONCERN HOMEOWNERS & RESIDENTS IN THIS SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

RICHARD MAYNARD,  
11<sup>TH</sup> WARD CHAIRMAN  
KIM R. MAYNARD, 11<sup>TH</sup> WARD SECRETARY