



CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER  
PROVIDENCE, R.I.

WALTER H. REYNOLDS  
MAYOR

February 26, 1964

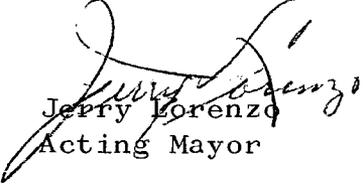
To the Honorable the City Council  
of the City of Providence  
City Hall  
Providence 3, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 119 approved February 21, 1964, I have this day appointed the following members of the City Council to the special Committee to meet with officials of the U. S. Rubber Company for the purpose of offering the Company assistance in maintaining its present level of employment and production:

1. Councilman Edmund Wexler
2. Councilman William F. X. Sullivan
3. Charles A. Kilvert

Sincerely,

  
Jerry Lorenzo  
Acting Mayor

JL:kdn

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 5 - 1964

READ:

WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT  
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

  
CLERK

SIDNEY GOLDMAN  
CHAIRMAN  
MEMBERS  
FRANK C. CAMBIO  
EDMUND J. KELLY



HORACE A. CUSSON  
SECRETARY

BOARD OF  
TAX ASSESSMENT REVIEW  
CITY HALL, PROVIDENCE, R. I. 02903

To The Honorable City Council of the City of Providence:

The undersigned the Board of Tax Assessment Review of the City of Providence that pursuant to the provisions of Section 12 of Chapter 1665 of the Public Laws of 1945, as amended, said Board of Tax Assessment Review has reviewed taxes and made changes authorized by said act, as follows:

Original 1963, 23 012 370 Waldo Realty Co., Inc. 58 Waldo St.	185 920 Real Estate	\$7 250 88 Total Tax
Correction #63-8  1963, 23 012 370 Waldo Realty Co., Inc. 58 Waldo St.	150 000 Real Estate	\$5 850 00 Total Tax
	Assessors Plat 43	
Lot 747 Bldg. 169 200		Should be Bldg. 133 280
Original 1963, 21 005 910 Union Industries, Inc. 310 Whipple St.	180 810 Real Estate	\$7 051 59 Total Tax
Correction #63-9 1963, 21 005 910 Union Industries, Inc. 310 Whipple St.	160 000 Real Estate	\$6 240 00 Total Tax
	Assessors Plat 68	
Lot 310 Bldg. 137 650		Should be Bldg. 116 840
Original 1963, 16 205 293 Peter Pan Diner, Inc. 327 Elmwood Ave.	71 490 Real Estate	\$2 788 11 Total Tax
Correction #63-10 1963 16 205 293 Peter Pan Diner, Inc. 327 Elmwood Ave.	50 000 Real Estate	\$1 950 00 Total Tax
	Assessors Plat 49	
Lot 473 Bldg. 71 490		Should be Bldg. 50 000



Original  
 1963, 02 207 900  
 Misak S. Berberian and  
 Agavne Berberian  
 202 Dexter St. 114 820 Real Estate \$4 477 98 Total Tax

Correction #63-14  
 1963, 02 207 900  
 Misak S. Berberian and  
 Agavne Berberian  
 202 Dexter St. 91 280 Real Estate \$3 559 92 Total Tax

Assessors Plat 28

Lot 111 Bldg. 58 840 Should be Bldg. 35 300

Original  
 1963, 04 075 905  
 Dauphinee Corporation  
 c/o Lois E. Sherman  
 399 Main St.  
 Yarmouth, Mass. 201 960 Real Estate \$7 876 44 Total Tax

Correction #63-15  
 1963, 04 075 905  
 Dauphinee Corporation  
 c/o Lois E. Sherman  
 399 Main St.  
 Yarmouth, Mass. 136 420 Real Estate \$5 320 38 Total Tax

Assessors Plat 59

Lot 102 Land 32 450 Should be Land 23 170  
 Lot 102 Bldg. 27 090 Should be Bldg. 15 480

Lot 156 Land 81 000 Should be Land 52 870  
 Lot 156 Bldg. 41 780 Should be Bldg. 30 380

Lot 157 Bldg. 17 900 Should be Bldg. 12 780

Original  
 1963, 19 375 300  
 Dorothy B. Smith, Trustee  
 u/w Stephen J. Briggs  
 Centerville, Mass. 47 120 Real Estate \$1 919 68 Total Tax  
 20 500 Intang.

Correction #63-16  
 1963, 19 375 300  
 Dorothy B. Smith, Trustee  
 u/w Stephen J. Briggs  
 Centerville, Mass. 36 050 Real Estate \$1 487 95 Total Tax  
 20 500 Intang.

Assessors Plat 69

Lot 541 Bldg. 31 530 Should be Bldg. 20 460

Original 1963, 20 232 801 Stanley Tyszkowski and Henry Tyszkowski 159 Wheeler Ave. Cranston, R. I.	44 790 Real Estate	\$1 746 81 Total Tax
Correction #63-17 1963, 20 232 801 Stanley Tyszkowski and Henry Tyszkowski 159 Wheeler Ave. Cranston, R. I.	34 960 Real Estate	\$1 363 44 Total Tax
	Assessors Plat 24	
Lot 596 Bldg. 21 570		Should be Bldg. 11 740
Original 1963, 01 001 312 A V M, Inc. 196 Broadway	50 930 Real Estate	\$1 986 27 Total Tax
Correction #63-18 1963, 01 001 312 A V M, Inc. 196 Broadway	41 490 Real Estate	\$1 618 11 Total Tax
	Assessors Plat 37	
Lot 9 Bldg. 42 730		Should be Bldg. 33 290
Original 1963, 16 326 800 Eugene Policastri 46 Home Ave.	28 820 Real Estate	\$1 123 98 Total Tax
Correction #63-19 1963, 16 326 800 Eugene Policastri 46 Home Ave.	27 320 Real Estate	\$1 065 48 Total Tax
	Assessors Plat 84	
Lot 253 Bldg. 15 320		Should be Bldg. 13 820
Original 1963, 17 019 845 Blanche G. Quirk 53 Oakland Ave.	7 040 Real Estate 180 M.V.	\$281 58 Total Tax 39 00 Ex. Cr. \$242 50 Total
Correction #63-20 1963, 17 019 845 Blanche G. Quirk 53 Oakland Ave.	6 040 Real Estate 180 M.V.	\$242 58 Total Tax 39 00 Ex. Cr. \$203 58 Total
	Assessors Plat 82	
Lot 79 Bldg. 6 080		Should be Bldg. 5 080

Original

1963, 08 358 298

Lelia Huntley, Florence M.

Downing &amp; Stella Graham

15 Lennon St.

8 940 Real Estate

\$348 66 Total Tax

Correction #63-21

1963, 08 358 298

Lelia Huntley, Florence M.

Downing &amp; Stella Graham

15 Lennon St.

6 940 Real Estate

\$270 66 Total Tax

Assessors Plat 65

Lot 779 Bldg. 7 020

Should be 5 020

Original

1963, 01 152 554

Aghaune Andonian

155 Camden Ave.

12 300 Real Estate

\$479 70 Total Tax

Correction #63-22

1963, 01 152 554

Aghaune Andonian

155 Camden Ave.

11 300 Real Estate

\$440 70 Total Tax

Assessors Plat 70

Lot 118 Bldg. 5 150

Should be 4 150

Original

1963, 07 108 500

Henry Gemma &amp; wf.

725 Mt. Pleasant Ave.

120 550 Real Estate

4 701 45 Total Tax

Correction #63-23

1963, 07 108 500

Henry Gemma &amp; wf.

725 Mt. Pleasant Ave.

115 170 Real Estate

4 491 63 Total Tax

Assessors Plat 122

Lot 504 Bldg. 25 760

Lot 504 Land 5 240

Should be Bldg. 22,200

Should be Land 3 420

Respectfully submitted,

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 5 - 1964

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CLERK

*Henry Goldman, Chairman*  
*Frank B. Conroy*  
*James J. Kelly*  
 BOARD OF TAX ASSESSMENT REVIEW



Vincent DiMase  
Director

## Department of Building Inspection

112 Union Street, Providence 3, R. I.  
TEmples 1-6500

Peter J. Hicks, Jr.  
Deputy Director  
Chief Electrical Inspector  
Nicholas DiBenedetto  
Chief Inspector of  
Structures and Zoning  
Genaro Costantino  
Chief Air Pollution and  
Mechanical Inspector  
James J. Downey  
Chief Plumbing, Drainage  
and Gas Piping Inspector

February 27, 1964

Mr. Vincent Vespia  
City Clerk  
City Hall

Dear Mr. Vespia:

Resolution of the City Council No. 106, approved Feb. 21, 1964, pertaining to a building located at 220 Messer Street, on Assessor's Plat 36, Lot 2, and owned by David Chernick, is hereby acknowledged.

Please be advised that legal action on this building was started on January 2, 1962. During the year of 1962 to Feb. 1, 1963 he was brought into court sixteen (16) times, until we finally succeeded in vacating the building and boarding it up.

The building at present is vacant and it is boarded so that it is not accessible to any further vandalism or fire.

I have been in constant contact with Mr. Chernick, and only last week he removed the broken glass from the third and fourth floors of the building. He has promised me that he would board up the third and fourth floors although not required by this Department or the Fire Department. Also, in the spirit of cooperation, he is to place plywood boarding on the first floor for a better appearance and not such an eye sore.

There is nothing in the law on aesthetics about boarding a building, as long as it is safe.

We will keep a constant inspection on this building and hope that eventually we will succeed in having the owner either repair it so as to make it fit for human habitation, or demolish it.

Very truly yours,

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAR 5 - 1964

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VDM/np

*Vincent Vespia*  
CLERK

*Vincent DiMase*  
Vincent DiMase, Director  
Department of Building Inspection



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CITY OF PROVIDENCE • RHODE ISLAND • Walter H. Reynolds • Mayor

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Joseph Smith, M. D.  
Superintendent of Health*Ex-officio*City Registrar  
Inspector of Milk161 FOUNTAIN ST.,  
PROVIDENCE 3, R. I.TO THE HONORABLE  
THE CITY COUNCIL  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the resolution of the Honorable City Council, No. 106, approved February 21, 1964, the undersigned made a personal inspection of the premises at 220 Messer Street, designated as Lot 2, City Assessor's Plat 36, on February 28, 1964 at 10:30 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. I found the premises to be unfit for human dwelling and indeed found it to be boarded up so that entrance could not be readily obtained. However, entrance to the building could be obtained by climbing to second floor in the rear.

Neighbor on westerly side of structure complained of constant noise by the wind banging doors through opened upper windows and doorways.

On the easterly side, building is less than six feet from adjoining structure and presents a bulge above the foundation towards said structure.

Inasmuch as said unfit dwelling is already vacated, your Honorable Board may require the owner to either put such dwelling in proper condition in accordance with Chapter 23-19-9, or after Public Hearing sitting as Board of Health, may order said building removed, being an eyesore and a source of irritation to the neighboring community.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph Smith, M. D.,  
Superintendent of HealthFEBRUARY  
twenty-eight  
1 9 6 4IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAR 5 - 1964

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Austin C. Daley  
Director

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CITY OF PROVIDENCE - RHODE ISLAND - Walter H. Reynolds, Mayor

## Division of Minimum Housing Standards

City Hall, Providence 3, R. I.

March 2, 1964

To: City Clerk  
Via: Urban Renewal Coordinator  
Subj: 220 Messer Street 13/31

A violation notice on this badly deteriorated house was sent to the owner on April 2, 1959.

Since no effort was made to correct the violations a warrant was issued and on January 13, 1961, the defendant made his first appearance in Providence Police Court. The defendant made nine subsequent appearances during the same year on the original charge.

After the owner agreed to vacate the premises and to secure the structure the original charges were dropped. This department is under the impression that all prosecution in regard to this structure is now in the hands of the Department of Building Inspection.

An inspection by this department on February 28, 1964 revealed that the fourth floor was not secured and youngsters were entering this portion of the building by means of ropes. From this building they have been going over to the roof of the adjacent building at 224 Messer Street.

This structure is an excellent illustration for the need of rigid specifications for effecting the security of vacant buildings as advocated by this department.

We would welcome an opportunity for a conference on it with a view to formulating an ordinance to accomplish this objective.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 5 - 1964

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*Vincent Vespa*  
CLERK



## BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION

JOHN E. BUTLER  
BATTALION CHIEF



209 FOUNTAIN ST.  
PROVIDENCE 3, R. I.

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

March 4, 1964

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The property located at 220 Messer Street, Providence, Rhode Island, owned by David Chernick of 46 Eldridge Street, Cranston, Rhode Island, has been inspected and reinspected many times by the Fire Prevention Bureau since 1956.

Our records show that in 1956 this property was referred to the Department of Building Inspection for corrective action. Enclosed is a letter received by the City Solicitor from Mr. Vincen DiMase.

On August 13, 1959 a complaint was received from Mrs. Kirk, 224 Messer Street about this property. This complaint was corrected, upon inspection by this Bureau, August 17, 1959.

Complaint received July 21, 1962, which was investigated by this Bureau. Complaint was corrected.

Complaint received April 3, 1963, which was investigated by this Bureau. Complaint was corrected May 11, 1963.

On February 12, 1964, Lieutenant Joseph B. Healey, of this Bureau, made an investigation of the property and found open exposures. Mrs. Chernick was contacted by telephone and asked to have the exposures corrected.

On February 26, 1964, Mrs. Chernick was again contacted, by telephone, about the conditions. A reinspection of the property, by this Bureau, was made March 3, 1964. This inspection revealed that conditions are the same and that the owner has made no attempt to correct same.

On March 4, 1964, a complaint was forwarded to the Department of Building Inspection concerning this building.

It is the opinion of this Bureau that the present condition of this building is a serious fire hazard.

MAR 5 - 1964

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*Vincint Vespa*  
CLERK

*John E. Butler*  
JOHN E. BUTLER  
Chief, Bureau of  
Fire Prevention.

# PROVIDENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT

## COMPLAINT

DATE **March 4, 1964**  
LOCATION **220 Messer St.**  
OWNER **David Chernick**  
ADDRESS **46 Eldridge St. Cranston, R.I.**  
OCCUPANT **Vacant**  
BUILDING **three story wood**  
COMPLAINT **Open exposures - 1st. floor**

COMPLAINANT **Fire Prev. Bureau**  
ADDRESS **209 Fountain St.**  
ACTION TAKEN **REFERRED TO DIR. OF BLDG. 3/4/64**  
DEFECT **CORRECTED**  
INVESTIGATED BY **Louis Gorodetsky**

**I have made several calls to owner about**  
REMARKS **this complaint, but as of this date**  
**March 3, 1964 no correction made**

*Called with Mr. Chernick on the  
phone*

**PROVIDENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

COMPLAINT

DATE April 3, 1963  
LOCATION 220 Messer Street  
OWNER David Chernick  
ADDRESS 46 Eldridge Street, Cranston  
OCCUPANT vacant  
BUILDING four story frame  
COMPLAINT Open exposure...children playing within.

COMPLAINANT Mrs. Morin  
ADDRESS 498 Cranston Street  
ACTION TAKEN  
DEFECT CORRECTED May 31, 1963  
INVESTIGATED BY Louis Gorodetsky

Rechecked this complaint May 31, 1963 and found same corrected.  
REMARKS Rechecked this complaint May 31, 1963 and found same corrected.

December 13, 1961

Mr. William E. McCabe,  
City Solicitor  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island

Dear Mr. McCabe:

Enclosed please find file pertaining to a dilapidated building located at 220 Messer Street, on Assessor's Plat 36, Lot 2, and owned by David Chernick.

The above building, in its presently bad condition, constitutes a serious fire and structural hazard and should either be extensively repaired or razed.

This is in violation of Chapter 1079, Sec. 124.1 and 1319.0, of the Building Ordinance of the City of Providence.

Please prepare a complaint and warrant in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Vincent DiMase, Director  
Department of Building Inspection

VDM/np

Enc.

CC: Chief Butler,  
Fire Prev. Bureau

**PROVIDENCE FIRE DEPARTMENT**

COMPLAINT

DATE May 14, 1956

LOCATION 220 Messer Street

OWNER David Chernick

ADDRESS 172 West Clifford Street

OCCUPANT 4 tenements

BUILDING 4 story frame

COMPLAINT Back porch is sagging--constituting a life hazard

COMPLAINANT Lieut. Hodges

ADDRESS Ladder Co. #2 P.F.D.

ACTION TAKEN Referred to Inspector of Bldgs. 5/14/56

DEFECT CORRECTED \_\_\_\_\_

INVESTIGATED BY Inspector Edward J. E. Sylvester  
Bureau of Fire Prevention.

REMARKS The condition of this porch should be brought to the attention of the Inspector of Buildings as, in my opinion, a life hazard exists here.

July 14, 1958

Mr. [Name], Battalion Chief, Bureau of Fire Prevention.

Inspection of premises located at 220 [Name] Street.

The property located at 220 [Name] Street was inspected recently by Inspector [Name] and J. W. Sylvester, of this Bureau. It was discovered that the porch on the rear of this building is in a dilapidated condition as indicated in the attached report.

In the opinion of this Bureau, the existing condition constitutes a serious life hazard and warrants the immediate attention of the Inspector of Buildings.

Respectfully submitted,