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West End Recreation Center
Jacqueline Shipp, Director

October 12, 2001

The Honorable John J. Lombardi
President, Providence City Council
City Council Office/City Hall
25 Dorrance Street
Providence RI 02903

Dear Councilman Lombardi,

I am writing regarding the City of Providence's non-resident employment policy. Currently, a non-resident is required to move to Providence within six months of his/her hiring. New city employees are also placed on a six-month probationary period, after which their performance is evaluated and they are either hired or terminated.

I was appointed the Director of the West End Recreation Center on May 10, 2001 and will be up for review on November 10, 2001. I am requesting the Providence City Council grant me a six-month extension.

I believe I will be able to show the City council just cause for such an extension. Currently, I reside in Pawtucket with my three children, as a divorced parent I am faced with many challenges in the raising of my children, for their well being, I do not want to up root them from their home, schools and friends prior to the six month probationary review. If, at the time of my review I am hired as a permanent employee, I will move to Providence as soon as I am able. Additionally, such a decision will provide me with the job security needed to make such a move to Providence.

As you know, there has been some controversy surrounding the West End Recreation Center in recent months. I am doing everything in my power to create a worthwhile facility for which the residents and city can be proud. However, this transformation is going to take time and continued effort. Because of the controversy surrounding the center, I have concerns regarding my job security and six-month review. Such issues are further just cause for an extension.

In closing, I would like to say that I am committed to my work at the West End Recreation Center and look forward to working for the City of Providence for many years to come. Please consider my request for an extension and feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your time and consideration.

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Anna M. Steben

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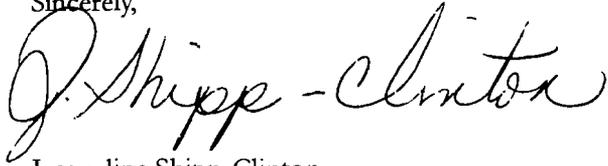
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Anna M. Steben

2-14-02 CLERK

October 12, 2001

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J. Shipp-Clinton". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Jacqueline Shipp-Clinton
Director
West End Recreation Center

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