

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 57

Approved February 22, 2013

WHEREAS, The President of the United States during his Inaugural Address, and in several speeches in recent weeks, has highlighted immigration reform as one of the top policy imperatives for the country, calling for "common-sense comprehensive immigration reform"; and

WHEREAS, The President has called upon the members of Congress to act in the coming months to submit a bipartisan immigration reform bill that will create a pathway to citizenship for documented and undocumented immigrants living in the United States; and

WHEREAS, The United States of America is a nation made up of immigrants from all parts of the world, who come here to pursue freedom, opportunity, and well-being for themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS, Immigration law and the need to restructure immigration policy has been at the center of much debate, division, and uncertainty for many years; and

WHEREAS, Many lawmakers and members of the public recognize the need for comprehensive, fair immigration reform to move forward, for the benefit of the entire nation, without further delay.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby urge the United States Congress to work together across partisan lines to adopt reasonable and responsible immigration reform legislation that will help create a path toward citizenship for those immigrants living here without citizen status.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, a certified copy of this resolution be sent to President Barack H. Obama, and the Rhode Island Congressional Delegation, including Senator Jack Reed, Senator Sheldon Whitehouse, Representative David N. Cicilline, and Representative James R. Langevin.

IN CITY COUNCIL

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Mayor

Date: 2/22/13