

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 323

Approved May 10, 1993

WHEREAS, Victoria Lederberg was born in Providence and grew up in the Silver Lake section of the City and attended the city's public schools, and

WHEREAS, Shortly after graduation from Classical High School in 1955, she attended Brown University and received a Bachelor of Arts in 1959. She also received a Master of Arts in 1961 and a Ph.D in 1966 from Brown University, and

WHEREAS, In the year 1976, she received her Juris Doctorate from Suffolk University Law School, and

WHEREAS, During those years she became a faculty member at Rhode Island College where she taught Psychology and eventually achieved the rank of full professor, and

WHEREAS, Judge Lederberg was elected to the House of Representatives in 1975, where she served with distinction, and

WHEREAS, In 1982, she ran as the Democratic Candidate for Secretary of State which was unsuccessful, and

WHEREAS, In 1984, she became a member of State Senate where she sponsored many bills dealing with conflict-of-interest and open meeting laws, and

WHEREAS, She has also served as an Attorney and on many Boards and Commissions, such as Trustee Brown University, Roger Williams University, Trustee and Secretary to the Corporation of Butler Hospital, League of Women Voters, Women's Political Caucus, American and Rhode Island Bar Association, New England Board of Higher Education, State Committee member and Officer, Rhode Island Psychological Association, Women Educators, Advisory Board of Library Commissioners, Advisory Board of Educational Opportunities Center,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the City Council do, on behalf of all the Citizens of the City of Providence, extend to Associate Judge Victoria Lederberg, hearty congratulations on her confirmation as a Rhode Island Supreme Court Justice, along with sincere best wishes for success in that position, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Clerk is directed to transmit a duly engrossed copy of this resolution to Associate Judge Victoria Lederberg.

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 6 1993
READ AND PASSED
James M. Angelone
PRES.
James M. Angelone
CLERK

APPROVED
MAY 10 1993
Joseph A. Casella
MAYOR

Councilwoman Ignoli & all the Members of the City Council

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WHEREAS, This marks yet another milestone in the career of Nicolas Retsinas, which began at New York University and Harvard University and included many years of service with the Model Cities Program and the City of Pawtucket, and

WHEREAS, In 1987 Mr. Retsinas was appointed Executive Director of the Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage Finance Corporation, which was then tainted by scandal and at the time offered four housing programs. Today Rhode Island Housing offers more than two dozen programs, which provide opportunities for first-time homebuyers, home repair and second mortgage assistance, reverse equity mortgages for elderly residents, and construction loans and predevelopment assistance for non-profit housing development corporations. The agency has won numerous awards for excellence in housing, and is one of a handful of state housing agencies nationwide to have earned Standard & Poor's "Top-Tier" designation, and

WHEREAS, While Mr. Restinas' accomplishments at Rhode Island Housing are enviable, his considerable talents and boundless energy have always been available to serve the people of Providence and the State of Rhode Island. He served temporarily as Director of Policy for Governor Sundlun. Mayor Cianci asked him to serve as a Member of the Providence Plan, which is a bold new initiative to revitalize the City of Providence, and as Chairman of the Providence Plan Housing Corporation, which brings together resources from the City, local banks, and Rhode Island Housing to address housing needs. He has also co-chaired a Task Force which made recommendations regarding the financial condition of the City of Providence, and has served with distinction on numerous other government and civic committees, such as a member of the Board of Regents and resigned at post in order that he may fulfill the appointment by President William Clinton, and

WHEREAS, Nic Retsinas has never lost sight of his humble roots in the City of Providence. In spite of the many demands on his time, he is always prepared to hear another point of view or make another person an important part of the process. His commitment to inclusion and openness will no doubt serve the nation as well as it has the City of Providence and the State of Rhode Island,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the City Council do, on behalf of all the Citizens of the City of Providence, extend to Nicolas Retsinas hearty congratulations on his nomination as Federal Housing Commissioner/Assistant Secretary for Housing, along with sincere best wishes for success in that position, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Clerk is directed to transmit a duly engrossed copy of this resolution to Nicolas Retsinas, to serve as an expression of gratitude for his many services to the People of Providence.

James H. Petersmiller
Declined and All the Members of the City Council

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MAY 6 1900
READ AND PASSED
James H. Petersmiller
PRES.
John M. Angione
CLERK

APPROVED
MAY 10
Wm. A. Casey
MAYOR

Michael R. Clement
City Clerk

Clerk of Council



Jean M. Angelone
First Deputy

Barbara A. Poirier
Second Deputy

**DEPARTMENT OF CITY CLERK
CITY HALL**

May 7, 1993

Chris Barnett
R.I. Housing & Mortgage Corp.
60 Eddy Street
Providence, RI 02906

Dear Mr. Barnett:

Enclosed, please find a copy of the Resolution sponsored by Councilman David G. Dillon, City Councilman of Ward 8 of Providence, Rhode Island for Nicolas Retsinas.

I will forward you at a later date a certified copy of the same Resolution when it has been approved by His Honor the Mayor, Vincent A. Cianci, Jr.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jean M. Angelone".

Jean M. Angelone
First Deputy City Clerk
of Providence, Rhode Island

Enclosure
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