

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 323

Approved September 20, 2022

WHEREAS, In May 2019 the John Hopkins Institute for Education Policy led a review of the Providence Public School District (PPSD) requested by the Rhode Island Commissioner of Education, former Governor Raimondo and Mayor Jorge Elorza; and

WHEREAS, The study highlighted systemic failures in PPCSD's ability to deliver high-quality education to the students of Providence; and

WHEREAS, In response to the findings of the John Hopkins report, the State of Rhode Island took over the Providence Public School System in order to intervene and rectify the numerous issues plaguing the City's education system; and,

WHEREAS, It has been over two years since the state takeover of the Providence School System and it is important for the students, parents, staff, and all residents of Providence to be provided a comprehensive update on the state of affairs of PPCSD and the progress of the state's takeover in addressing the issues identified in the John Hopkins report.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby requests the Governor and the Rhode Island Department of Education conduct a new independent study to provide a progress report on the effectiveness of the State and Rhode Island Department of Education's leadership in addressing the issues raised in the John Hopkins Report since the takeover of the Providence Public School District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Governor McKee, the Rhode Island Department of Education, the Education Commissioner, the Mayor of Providence, and the Superintendent of Providence Public Schools.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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READ AND PASSED


JOHN J. IGLIOZZI, PRESIDENT
Tina L. Martisese
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I HEREBY APPROVE.


Mayor
Date: 9/20/22