

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 466

Approved December 10, 2025

RESOLVED, that the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere
Congratulations to the following:

El Edén Restaurant, in recognition of your exceptional dedication, support, and valuable contributions to our school community, helping to promote cultural awareness, celebrate diversity, and support our students throughout the year.

Keila Rojas, in recognition of your outstanding commitment to preserving and promoting Dominican folklore through dance. Your talent, discipline, and pride in your cultural roots inspire others and keep our traditions alive for future generations.

Amira Torres, in recognition of your outstanding commitment to preserving and promoting Dominican folklore through dance. Your talent, discipline, and pride in your cultural roots inspire others and keep our traditions alive for future generations.

Kehlani Somosa, in recognition of your outstanding commitment to preserving and promoting Dominican folklore through dance. Your talent, discipline, and pride in your cultural roots inspire others and keep our traditions alive for future generations.

Rosvely Disla, in recognition of your outstanding commitment to preserving and promoting Dominican folklore through dance. Your talent, discipline, and pride in your cultural roots inspire others and keep our traditions alive for future generations.

Mia Vargas, in recognition of your outstanding commitment to preserving and promoting Dominican folklore through dance. Your talent, discipline, and pride in your cultural roots inspire others and keep our traditions alive for future generations.

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Yennifer Quiñonez, in recognition of your outstanding commitment to preserving and promoting Dominican folklore through dance. Your talent, discipline, and pride in your cultural roots inspire others and keep our traditions alive for future generations.

Yazleny Santiesteban, in recognition of your outstanding commitment to preserving and promoting Dominican folklore through dance. Your talent, discipline, and pride in your cultural roots inspire others and keep our traditions alive for future generations.

Leonardo Taveras III, in recognition of your outstanding commitment to preserving and promoting Dominican folklore through dance. Your talent, discipline, and pride in your cultural roots inspire others and keep our traditions alive for future generations.

Dr. Luis Diaz, Vice President Executive, Dominican American Veterans Association (DAVA), in recognition of your leadership, dedication, and continued commitment to advancing the mission of DAVA. Your tireless advocacy and service reflect the values of integrity, unity, and patriotism that strengthen both our veteran community and our nation. Congratulations and thank you for your distinguished service.

Colonel Sharon L. Harmon, in recognition of your 40 years of dedicated and distinguished service to our state and nation, and for achieving a historic milestone as the first African American to attain the rank of Colonel in the Rhode Island Army National Guard. Your remarkable career stands as a testament to your leadership, perseverance, and commitment to excellence. Through four decades of honorable service, you have broken barriers, inspired future generations, and exemplified the highest standards of integrity and professionalism. The City proudly joins in celebrating your achievements and in expressing deep gratitude for your contributions to the Rhode Island Army National Guard and to the greater community. Your legacy of courage, service, and trailblazing accomplishment will continue to inspire for generations to come.

George L. Ortiz, Jr., The ELISHA Project, in recognition of your extraordinary dedication and service to the community. Founded in 2011 by George L. Ortiz, Jr., a proud and disabled Marine Veteran, The ELISHA Project has been a steadfast force of compassion and generosity, serving the essential needs of Rhode Island residents. Through your tireless leadership and vision, The ELISHA Project has provided vital resources including food, furniture, household items, and appliances at no cost to families, individuals, and Veterans in need throughout Providence, Pawtucket, Central Falls, Newport, South County, and across Massachusetts. In 2023 alone, The ELISHA Project shared millions of pounds of food and essential goods, serving over 12,000 families through 24 share markets. Your commitment to uplifting those in need exemplifies the highest ideals of service, empathy, and community spirit. On this Veterans Day, the City proudly honors you and The ELISHA Project for their unwavering dedication to helping others and for embodying the true meaning of service both in and out of uniform.

Christopher O. Vargas, in recognition of the celebration of your 21st Birthday on November 6, 2025.

Marcia Ranglin-Vassell, Founder, Global Fund to End Childhood Hunger and Poverty, in recognition of the Global Fund to End Childhood Hunger and Poverty for its steadfast dedication to combating childhood hunger and supporting families throughout Rhode Island. Through the success of its 5th Annual Walk to End Childhood Hunger, the organization raised nearly \$10,000 to benefit local school pantries. This effort stands as a testament to the power of unity, compassion, and community in ensuring that every child has access to the nourishment they deserve.

Kathleen Forte, Global Fund to End Childhood Hunger and Poverty, Board of Directors, in recognition of the Global Fund to End Childhood Hunger and Poverty for its steadfast dedication to combating childhood hunger and supporting families throughout Rhode Island. Through the success of its 5th Annual Walk to End Childhood Hunger, the organization raised nearly \$10,000 to benefit local school pantries. This effort stands as a testament to the power of unity, compassion, and community in ensuring that every child has access to the nourishment they deserve.

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Adam Michael Friedberg, in recognition of your years of dedicated service on the Juvenile Hearing Board. Your compassion, fairness, and commitment have made a lasting difference in the lives of countless young people, guiding them with understanding and helping them find a better path during their time of need. Your service has strengthened our community and inspired others to lead with empathy and integrity.

Michael Browner, Ph.D., in recognition of being the Keynote Speaker at the 2025 Oasis International African Gala.

Sharon Morris, Executive Director, Omni Development Corporation, in recognition of being the recipient of the Community Service Award at the 2025 Oasis International African Gala.

The Honorable Nirva R. LaFortune, Executive Director, Providence CityYear, in recognition of being the recipient of the Community Service Award at the 2025 Oasis International African Gala.

Janet Pichardo, Executive Director of Family and Community Engagement, Providence School Department, in recognition of being the recipient of the Community Service Award at the 2025 Oasis International African Gala.

The Honorable Councilman Pedro J. Espinal, Providence City Council, in recognition of being the recipient of the Community Service Award at the 2025 Oasis International African Gala.

Omolola Otele, in recognition of being the recipient of the Young Professional Award at the 2025 Oasis International African Gala.

Doris Adesuyi, Esquire, in recognition of being the recipient of the Professional Achievement Award at the 2025 Oasis International African Gala.

Aline Binyungu, President, Women's Care Center, in recognition of being the recipient of the President's Circle Award at the 2025 Oasis International African Gala.

Michael Stephens, Director of Community Engagement, Providence Police Department, in recognition of being the recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2025 Oasis International African Gala.

Andrew Banspach, in recognition of your outstanding work restoring the Valley Street stormwater abatement riprap, and congratulations on your graduation from Building Green Futures. Your hard work will make a lasting difference for Providence residents. We are grateful and proud of what you've accomplished and wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

Danyel Breton, in recognition of your outstanding work restoring the Valley Street stormwater abatement riprap, and congratulations on your graduation from Building Green Futures. Your hard work will make a lasting difference for Providence residents. We are grateful and proud of what you've accomplished and wish you the best of luck in your future endeavors.

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Ahmad Smith, in recognition of your successful completion of the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy and your demonstrated commitment to strengthening families, uplifting your community, and amplifying the voices of parents in the decision-making process. Your dedication, perseverance, and willingness to lead by example embody the core values of advocacy, empowerment, and civic engagement.

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Rose K. Fassah, in recognition of your successful completion of the Providence Public School District's Parent Leadership Training Academy and your demonstrated commitment to strengthening families, uplifting your community, and amplifying the voices of parents in the decision-making process. Your dedication, perseverance, and willingness to lead by example embody the core values of advocacy, empowerment, and civic engagement.

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Andrew Caleb Valle, in recognition of the completion of your training and commitment to becoming a dedicated public servant who serves the community with honor. Congratulations!

Anthony Cruz "Benito", in recognition of the celebration of your retirement after 20 years of dedicated service to the New York City Police Department and as a Veteran of the United States Army.

Ramón Rodríguez and Palmira Arias, in recognition of a joyous 50th Wedding Anniversary, commemorating a remarkable milestone that reflects a lifetime of love, dedication, and partnership.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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READ AND PASSED


RACHEL M. MILLER, PRESIDENT

CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.


Mayor

Date: 12/10/25