

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 200

Approved March 22, 1963

Resolved,

That the City Solicitor be and he hereby is authorized to urge passage of an act in amendment of and in addition to Chapter 489 of the Public Laws of 1923 entitled "An Act to Provide for the Retirement of Employees in the City of Providence" as amended, substantially in accordance with the accompanying draft act.

(1)
Said amendments would/make membership effective upon entry of service; (2) permit present policemen and firemen to purchase service prior to membership while in the training school; (3) permit members to purchase prior service for the six month period of employment prior to becoming members of the system; (4) permit employees who were members on February 15, 1963 to purchase service prior to membership, provided the election is made prior to January 1, 1964; (5) permit Class B employees to elect a deferred retirement benefit and to change the age at which such benefits will commence to the minimum retirement age; (6) combine the provisions of Chapters 119 and 137 of the 1961 Public Laws

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 21 1963

READ and PASSED

John D. Smith
President
Robert Whitman
Clerk

APPROVED

MAR 22 1963

Walter J. Reynolds
MAYOR

RESOLUTION
OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
URGING PASSAGE OF AN ACT
AMENDING PROVIDENCE RETIRE-
MENT ACT.

IN CITY
COUNCIL

FEB 21 1963

FIRST READING
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON
ORDINANCES
Devereux, Dan, CLERK

Mr. Wepler, by request

THE COMMITTEE ON
Credentialed
Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution
Devereux, Dan
Committee Clerk
3/15/63

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, &C.

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

January Session, A.D. 1963.

AN ACT

63.

IN AMENDMENT OF OR IN ADDITION TO CHAPTER 489 OF THE PUBLIC LAWS OF 1923 ENTITLED "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE RETIREMENT OF EMPLOYEES IN THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE" AS AMENDED.

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

Section 1. Paragraph (a) of Subdivision (1) of Section 7 of Chapter 489 of the Public Laws of 1923, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) all employees as defined in this act, who become employees on and after the first day of October, 1923, shall, upon their option in the case of elected officials and officials appointed for a fixed term, or under contract of their employment in the case of other such employees, become members of the retirement system, and shall receive no pension or retirement allowance from any other pension or retirement system supported wholly or in part by the city of Providence, nor shall they be required to make contributions under any other pension or retirement system of said city, anything to the contrary notwithstanding. Any employee who became an employee on or after the first day of October, 1923, and who became a member prior to the completion of six months of service is hereby declared eligible for membership as of that date.

Section 2. Subdivision (7) of Section 8 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(7) Any employee or any elected official who was a member on February 15, 1963 and who had a period of continuous service prior to his date of

membership may, by written notice filed with the retirement board prior to January 1, 1964, elect to pay into the annuity savings fund, in such manner as shall be prescribed by said board, an amount equal to all or a part of the deductions which would have been made had he been a member during such period of continuous service and contributed during such period of service as an employee together with interest thereon from the beginning of said period to the date of payment. Service prior to the fifth day of January, 1925, shall not be included in such period of service. Upon such payment, anything to the contrary notwithstanding, such amount shall become part of his accumulated contributions and the period of service on account of which such payment was made shall be added to his period of service since last becoming a member. The crediting of such service shall be solely for the purpose of computing the amount of pension which may become payable under this act and shall not be construed to alter retroactively such member's eligibility for the benefits payable hereunder or the rights of any beneficiary claiming through him. Should membership cease subsequent to January 1, 1964, credit for all service prior to such termination shall be void.

Section 3. Section 8 of said Chapter 469 is further amended by adding thereto the following Subdivision (8):

(8) Any person classified as a Class B employee on February 13, 1963 who had a period of service in a training school for such employees in the City of Providence prior to his date of membership may, by written notice filed with retirement board prior to January 1, 1964, elect to pay into the annuity savings fund, in such manner as shall be prescribed by said board, an amount equal to all or a part of the deductions which would have been made had he been a member during such period of service and contributed during such period of service together with interest thereon from the beginning of said period to the date of payment. Service prior to the fifth day of January, 1925, shall not be included in such period of service. Upon such payment, anything to the contrary notwithstanding, such

amount shall become part of his accumulated contributions and the period of service on account of which such payment was made shall be added to his period of service since last becoming a member. The crediting of such service shall be solely for the purpose of computing the amount of pension which may become payable under this act and shall not be construed to alter retroactively such member's eligibility for the benefits payable hereunder or the rights of any beneficiary claiming through him. Should membership cease subsequent to January 1, 1964, credit for all service prior to such termination shall be void.

Section 4. Subdivision (9) of Section 9 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(9) Any employee in service who has ten or more years of total service may retire upon his written application to the retirement board setting forth at what time, not less than thirty nor more than ninety days subsequent to the execution and filing thereof, he desires to be retired, provided that the said member, at the time so specified for his retirement, shall have fulfilled the above service requirement and notwithstanding that, during such period of notification, he may have separated from service.

Section 5. Subdivision (10) of Section 9 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

(10) Upon deferred retirement a member shall receive a deferred retirement allowance commencing at minimum retirement age calculated in the same manner as provided in subdivision (2) of this section 9.

Section 6. Section 13 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 13.

(1) Persons who have served as members of the school committee or as Mayor or members of the Council of the City of Providence, hereinafter collectively referred to as "elective officers", for at least ten legislative years for Mayors and Councilmen and ten full years

for school committeemen since January 1, 1941 and who have reached the age of 60 or have become totally and permanently disabled prior to reaching such age, whether or not such persons are now serving as elective officers or are serving as such at the time of attaining said age or becoming so disabled, shall be entitled to a retirement allowance as provided in this section.

(2) Said retirement allowance shall be computed at the rate of One Hundred (\$100) dollars per annum for each full year of service not in excess of 25 years, as an elective officer of said City of Providence since January 1, 1941 and since any withdrawal of his contributions as provided in subdivision (6) of this section.

(3) Said retirement allowance shall not be paid to any person otherwise entitled thereto while he is receiving compensation from said City or any of its agencies, commissions or bureaus, except to the extent that said retirement allowance may exceed such compensation.

(4) Said retirement allowance shall not be paid to any elective officer who has been removed from office pursuant to the provisions of the charter of said City or who, while receiving said retirement allowance, is finally convicted of a felony or other crime involving moral turpitude.

(5) Eligibility for and the continuance of any benefit payable under this section on account of total and permanent disability shall be subject to medical examinations made at the request of the retirement board in accordance with the provisions of subdivisions (3) and (7) of Section 9 of this Chapter 489.

(6) Each elective officer of said City who is in office upon the effective date hereof or who subsequent thereto becomes an elective officer, shall contribute One Hundred (\$100) Dollars per annum of his compensation toward the cost of the benefits provided hereunder. Such contributions with accumulated interest may be withdrawn at any time prior to the commencement of payments hereunder, provided that upon such withdrawal all rights accrued under this section with respect to any service rendered prior to the date of such withdrawal

shall terminate. Should a former elective officer elect not to withdraw such contributions with interest as above provided, no interest shall be credited to his contributions after four years shall have elapsed since he ceased to be an elective officer.

(7) Contributions under this section of an elective officer who dies before retirement allowance payments commence as provided hereunder, shall be repaid with accumulated interest to his estate or his designated beneficiary. In the event of the death of an elective officer after such retirement allowance payments have commenced, but prior to the time he shall have received in such retirement allowance payments an amount equal to the total amount of his contributions with interest at the date of such commencement, there shall be paid to his estate or his designated beneficiary the excess of such contributions with interest over the retirement allowance payments received.

(8) The provisions hereof are in addition to and supplemental to the benefits provided under any other sections of this Chapter 489 as amended and nothing contained in this section shall adversely affect any present or future rights arising out of membership in any City or State retirement system including that provided in said Chapter 489 as amended.

Any conflict or inconsistency between this section and any other sections of this Chapter 489 as amended shall be resolved in favor of accomplishing the intention of this section and said conflict or inconsistent provisions shall be waived or superseded in as far as the other sections of Chapter 489 are concerned.

(9) The City Council of said City of Providence shall from time to time upon the advice of the *Finance Director* ~~secretary appointed by the retirement board~~ appropriate such sums as may be necessary to carry out the provisions hereof. Any such sums thus appropriated shall be separately administered for the payment of the retirement allowances herein provided.

Section 7. Section 14 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 14. All retirement allowances to beneficiaries

on the roll as of October 1, 1960 who were Class A Employees and who retired on or after July 15, 1955 and prior to October 1, 1960 shall be adjusted beginning on that date to equal the retirement allowances which such beneficiaries would have severally received if no Social Security benefit had been included in the calculation of their pensions.

Section 8. Section 15 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 15. EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION, ASSIGNMENT AND EXECUTION.

The right of a member or beneficiary to a pension, an annuity, a retirement allowance, to the return of contributions, any benefit or right accrued or accruing to any person under the provisions of this act, and the monies in the various funds created hereunder, shall be exempt from any state or municipal tax, and, except as specifically provided under this chapter, they shall not be assignable, subject to execution, garnishment, attachment, the operation of bankruptcy or insolvency law, or any other similar process of law.

Section 9. Section 16 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 16. PROTECTION AGAINST FRAUD. Every person who knowingly or wilfully makes or presents or in any wise procures the making or presentation of any false or fraudulent affidavit or affirmation concerning any claim for pension or payment thereof, shall in every case forfeit a sum not exceeding two hundred and fifty dollars, to be sued and recovered by and in the name of the retirement board of the retirement system, and when recovered, paid over to and thereupon become a part of the funds of the retirement system.

Section 10. Section 17 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 17. GUARANTEE OF PRESENT PENSION BENEFITS.

The city of Providence is hereby authorized and directed upon written

request made on or before January 4, 1926, by any person who at the time this act takes effect is a member of its police or fire department, whether in active service or on pension, and who has not become a member of the retirement system created by this act, to enter into an agreement securing to him the continuation of the present and prospective benefits of the pension system of which he is a member and guaranteeing that the rights and benefits thereof affecting him shall not be abridged.

Section 11. Section 18 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 18. This act shall be submitted to the electors of the city of Providence qualified to vote at the election to be held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, A.D. 1924. The Board of Canvassers of said city shall cause to be printed upon the ballots to be used in said election the question "Shall the act passed by the general assembly at its January session, A.D. 1923, to provide for the retirement of employees of the city of Providence be accepted?" and at the right of said question there shall be a square in which shall be printed the word "Yes", and under such square there shall be another square in which there shall be printed the word "No", and at the right of each of said words there shall be sufficient space in which the elector may indicate his approval by a cross (X) mark at the right of the word "Yes", or his disapproval by a like mark at the right of the word "No." If a majority of the electors voting on said question at such election shall vote "Yes", this act shall be accepted; and if a majority thereof shall vote "No", it shall be rejected. The votes on said question shall be counted, ascertained and declared by the same officials and in like manner as the votes for candidates for the general officers in said city are required to be counted, ascertained and declared.

Section 12. Section 19 of said Chapter 489 is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 19. Section 18 of this act shall take effect upon the passage of this act and the remainder of this act shall take effect when accepted by the electors of said city of Providence as hereinbefore provided.

Section 13. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 201

Approved March 22, 1963

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 617, approved December 7, 1962, the City Council of the City of Providence authorized the filing of an amendatory application by the Providence Redevelopment Agency for an advance of funds from the United States of America to enable it to defray the cost of survey and plans for an Urban Renewal Project in the Urban Renewal Area as described in said Resolution No. 617; and

WHEREAS, said Project Area has been designated as Weybosset Hill Project No. R. I. R-7 and a contract for planning advance dated March 2, 1961, and effective March 7, 1961, has been accepted by the Providence Redevelopment Agency; and

WHEREAS, the Providence Redevelopment Agency is desirous of undertaking certain early land acquisition activities together with the necessary demolition and site clearance and relocation activities in connection therewith with respect to that certain area of land owned by the City of Providence in said Project Area, and the early land disposition of said land area; and

WHEREAS, the Providence Redevelopment Agency has filed a request with the Federal Government for the issuance of a "Letter of Consent," it is recognized that the issuance of said "Letter of Consent" for early land acquisition activities does not constitute a commitment that the Federal Government must actually provide loan or capital grant funds for carrying out the project, but the issuance of said "Letter of Consent" will enable the Providence Redevelopment Agency to carry out the activities involved and to claim credit for such activities when and if the project enters the formal execution stage; and

WHEREAS, the Providence Redevelopment Agency has filed a request with the Federal Government for authorization to enter into early land disposition after approval of the Federal Government of the Providence Redevelopment Agency's request for early land acquisition.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY the City Council of the City of Providence as follows:

Section 1. That the Providence Redevelopment Agency is hereby authorized to undertake early land acquisition activities with respect to that certain area of land owned by the City of Providence, which said area of land is bounded by Fountain, Beverly, Washington and Aborn Streets located in the City of Providence, which said area of land is within the Weybosset Hill Project, R. I. R-7 and to carry out the necessary demolition, site clearance, relocation and disposition activities in connection with said area of land proposed to be acquired by the Providence Redevelopment Agency.

Section 2. That the Providence Redevelopment Agency is further authorized to negotiate with the City of Providence for the determination of the value of said area of land proposed to be acquired.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 21 1963

READ and PASSED

Robert T. Whelan
President
Robert T. Whelan
Clerk

APPROVED

MAR 22 1963

Matthew J. Ryan
MAYOR

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE
PROVIDENCE, R. I.

IN CITY
COUNCIL

JAN 17 1963

FIRST READING

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES
and Committee on PUBLIC WORKS

Devereaux, L. D., CLERK

THE COMMITTEE ON Ordinance
and
the Committee on Public Works
Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution
Hammond, R. Cooper 3/17/63
Committee Clerk

Mr. Weyler, by request



City Plan Commission

EDWARD WINSOR, *Chairman*
JERRY LORENZO RALPH MATERA

WALTER H. REYNOLDS, *Mayor*
LUCIO E. CARLONE, *Secretary*

JAMES B. LEACH, *Vice Chairman*
RAYMOND J. NOTTAGE HARRY PINKERSON

FRANK H. MALLEY, *Director*
DIFTER HAMMERSCHLAG, *Deputy Director*

*Suite 103, City Hall,
Providence 3, Rhode Island
February 7, 1963*

Councilman, Jerry Lorenzo
Committee on Ordinances

Councilman, Ralph Matera
Chairman, Committee on
Public Works

Gentlemen:

Since there is a meeting of the City Plan Commission on Wednesday, February 13th at 2:00 o'clock concurrently with the joint public hearing on the Majestic Garage site being constructed by the 2 committees, it will be impossible for me to appear at the public hearing.

The Majestic Garage is an essential element in the downtown master plan and has been strongly supported by this department even prior to the development of the master plan. It is my understanding that the early acquisition of the site by the Providence Redevelopment Agency will expedite the construction of this necessary facility, and I am therefore desirous of again recording this department as being in favor of the garage and the early acquisition of the site.

Yours very truly,

Frank H. Malley
Director

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THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 202

Approved March 22, 1963

Resolved,

That the City Treasurer may give notification in writing addressed to the owner of Lots Nos. 437, 438 and 439 on Plat No. 97 located on Christopher Street made for the use of the Board of Assessors as said plat appeared in the office of the said Board on December 31, 1953, said lots having been sold to the City of Providence at tax sale held May 17, 1956, said notice in writing addressed to the owner of record at the time of the sale, his heirs, assigns or devisees at their last usual place of abode, and notifying them that said real estate will be offered for sale unless redeemed within thirty days of said notification.

The City Treasurer has received an offer made by Vincent Boscia of \$389.10 for Lots Nos. 437, 438 and 439 on Plat No. 97 and as the period for the redemption of this property has expired, this offer is hereby approved in accordance to the law thereto appertaining.

If said real estate shall not be redeemed within said thirty days, the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to sell and convey to the said Vincent Boscia, or nominees, for the price herein approved.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 21 1963

READ and PASSED

John J. Smith
President
Robert J. Whelan
Clerk

APPROVED

MAR 22 1963

Walter J. Knappe
MAYOR

RESOLUTION
OF THE
CITY COUNCIL

Authorizing the City Treasurer to arrange for the redemption or sale of Lots Nos. 437, 438 and 439 on Plat No. 97 in accordance to the law thereto appertaining.

Mr. Weldon, by request

City Plan Commission

EDWARD WINSOR, *Chairman*
ALBERT BUSH-BROWN JERRY LORENZO

WALTER H. REYNOLDS, *Mayor*
HARRY PINKERSON, *Secretary*

JAMES B. LEACH, *Vice Chairman*
RALPH MATERA RAYMOND J. NOTTAGE

FRANK H. MALLEY, *Director*
DIETER HAMMERSCHLAG, *Deputy Director*

*Suite 103, City Hall,
Providence 3, Rhode Island*

February 27, 1963

Mr. David R. McGovern
City Treasurer
City Hall
Providence, R. I.

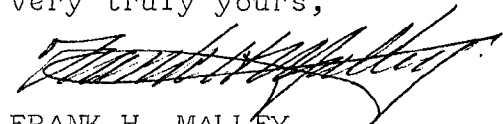
SUBJECT: Referral No. 1312 - REDEMPTION OF LOTS 437, 438 and 439 ON
ASSESSOR'S PLAT 97 LOCATED ON CHRIS-
TOPHER STREET

Dear Mr. McGovern:

In reference to your letter of February 26, 1963, relative to the redemption of Lots 437, 438 and 439 on Assessor's Plat 97 located on Christopher Street, these lots do not lie in any present or proposed studies by the City Plan Commission or the Redevelopment Agency.

Therefore, the staff feels that there is no objection offered in selling the above-mentioned lots.

Very truly yours,



FRANK H. MALLEY
DIRECTOR
CITY PLAN COMMISSION

FHM:MMH

c.c. City Assessor's Office
City Clerk's Office
City Collector's Office
Mr. James F. Reynolds
Mr. Charles R. Wood

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 203

Approved March 22, 1963

Resolved,

That the City Treasurer may give notification in writing addressed to the owner of Lot No. 187 on Plat No. 114 located on Stella Street made for the use of the Board of Assessors as said plat appeared in the office of the said Board on June 15, 1944, said lot having been sold to the City of Providence at tax sale held March 28, 1946, said notice in writing addressed to the owner of record at the time of the sale, his heirs, assigns or devisees at their last usual place of abode, and notifying them that said real estate will be offered for sale unless redeemed within thirty days of said notification.

The City Treasurer has received an offer made by Filippantonio Pisani and wife Raffaella of \$598.36 for Lot No. 187 on Plat No. 114 and as the period for the redemption of this property has expired, this offer is hereby approved in accordance to the law thereto appertaining.

If said real estate shall not be redeemed within said thirty days, the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to sell and convey to the said Filippantonio Pisani and wife Raffaella for the price herein approved.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 21 1963

READ and PASSED

James L. Smith
President
Robert L. Law
Clerk

APPROVED

MAR 22 1963

William R. Smith
MAYOR

RESOLUTION

OF THE

CITY COUNCIL

Authorizing the City Treasurer to arrange for the redemption or sale of Lot No. 187 on Plat No. 114 in accordance to the law thereto appertaining.

Mr. Wepler, City agent



City Plan Commission

EDWARD WINSOR, *Chairman*
ALBERT BUSH-BROWN JERRY LORENZO

WALTER H. REYNOLDS, *Mayor*
HARRY PINKERSON, *Secretary*

JAMES B. LEACH, *Vice Chairman*
RALPH MATERA RAYMOND J. NOTTAGE

FRANK H. MALLEY, *Director*
DIETER HAMMERSCHLAG, *Deputy Director*

*Suite 103, City Hall,
Providence 3, Rhode Island*

February 27, 1963

Mr. David R. McGovern
City Treasurer
City Hall
Providence, R. I.

SUBJECT: Referral No. 1313 - REDEMPTION OF LOT 187 ON ASSESSOR'S
PLAT 114 LOCATED ON STELLA STREET

Dear Mr. McGovern:

In reference to your letter of February 26, 1963, relative to the redemption of Lot 187 on Assessor's Plat 114 located on Stella Street, this lot does not lie in any present or proposed studies by the City Plan Commission or the Redevelopment Agency.

Therefore, the staff feels that there is no objection offered in selling the above-mentioned lot.

Very truly yours,

FRANK H. MALLEY
DIRECTOR
CITY PLAN COMMISSION

FHM:MMH

c.c. City Assessor's Office
City Clerk's Office
City Collector's Office
Mr. James F. Reynolds
Mr. Charles R. Wood

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 204

Approved March 22, 1963

WHEREAS, James E. Hartigan, Superintendent of Inventory Control, was called to his eternal reward on March 19, 1963, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hartigan, whose municipal employment dates back to 1934, gave many years of conscientious service to the City of Providence in its accounting divisions. He was second in command of the City Auditor's Office during the 1930's and early 1940's and was Assistant City Controller from October 1, 1945 until January 16, 1953 when he was placed in charge of Inventory Control, and

WHEREAS, his long association in the civic and political life of the community gained him a host of friends who mourn his passing,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that His Honor, Mayor Walter H. Reynolds and the members of this city council, cognizant of his long and devoted service to the city, pay honor and respect to James E. Hartigan and extend to Mrs. Hartigan their sincere sympathy.

IN CITY COUNCIL
READ AND PASSED
BY A UNANIMOUS RISING VOTE

MAR 21 1963

John F. Burke
PRESIDENT
Robert Whelan
CLERK

APPROVED

MAR 22 1963

Walter H. Reynolds
MAYOR

RESOLUTION
OF THE
CITY COUNCIL

Means Koorley and Martina

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No.

Approved

WHEREAS, in the November 8, 1960 general election, 28,415 votes of the 93,419 votes cast for the election of General Assembly candidates to the House of Representatives were for Republican candidates in the City of Providence; and

WHEREAS, this represented approximately 30% of the total vote for State Representative candidates in the City of Providence, and

WHEREAS, only one of the 25 members elected to the House of Representatives from the City of Providence was a Republican representative this being only 4% of the State Representatives from Providence, despite the fact that approximately 30% of the City of Providence voted for Republican candidates; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly for the State of Rhode Island and the Governor of the State of Rhode Island are contemplating a constitutional convention in order to eliminate inequities in our present election methods of candidates for the General Assembly so that there would be equal representation for all voters based on population, and

WHEREAS, it is unfair and invidious discrimination against Providence Republican voters who are a substantial minority in the City of Providence without equal representation who, year after year, cast their votes for the candidates standing for the principles in which they believe, and

WHEREAS, in 1938 the Supreme Court for the State of Rhode Island, in a case entitled "Opinion to the Governor, 62 R. I. 316" stated that an amendment to the state constitution would be necessary to permit cities and towns such as the City of Providence to adopt proportional representation in the election of local officials despite a powerful and strong dissenting opinion of Associate Justice William W. Moss, and

WHEREAS, in other cities and towns in the State of Rhode Island voters of the minority party, whether Republican or Democrat are entitled to equal representation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council urge that the General Assembly, Governor and all other officials considering the constitutional convention place on its agenda for study and consideration, the necessary procedures to amend the Constitution for the State of Rhode Island to permit local cities and towns to adopt proportional representation in their election procedures if the majority of the voters of said cities and towns so desire, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a duly certified copy of this Resolution be sent to the appropriate officials by the Office of the City Clerk; Governor John H. Chafee; Secretary of State August P. La France; Hon. Raymond E. Jordan, Chairman, Special Commission on Reapportionment of House of Representatives; and Governor Dennis J. Roberts and Governor Christopher Del Sesto, as Co-Chairmen of the Rhode Island Citizens For Constitutional Convention.

IN CITY COUNCIL

MAR 7 1963

READ:

CONTINUED ON TABLE *Until March 21, 1963.*

N. Everett Whelan
CLERK

IN CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 21, 1963

READ AND NOT PASSED

N. Everett Whelan
Clerk.

RESOLUTION

OF THE

CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Dickman