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## BOARD OF CANVASSERS

IN CITY COUNCIL

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WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT  
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

March 22, 1985

*Ben Mendonca* CLERK

Annual report from the Providence Board of Canvassers for the year January 1, 1984 through December 31, 1984.

Following the certification of a sufficient amount of valid signatures on the Declaration of Intent to Petition the Mayor for recall, the 120 day period for obtaining signatures on the recall petitions began and the long process of certification was begun.

This followed the completion of the removal of approximately 8,000 no vote five year voters.

While this recall petition drive was going on, the Presidential Preference Primary was held in March to elect delegates to the Presidential conventions.

The completion of the 120 day period for recall ended in February and certification was completed showing insufficient amount of signatures were obtained.

However, following a Superior Court trial and conviction Mayor Vincent A. Cianci, Jr. resigned from the office of Mayor.

A Special Election for Mayor was called for July 31, 1984 with the Primary to be held June 12, 1984. Seventeen candidates filed declarations and several hearings and court suits followed leading to some landmark decisions, especially the Doorley-Collins decisions. Following the election, counting of mail ballots and re-counting of voting machines, this Board certified former Council President Joseph R. Paolino, Jr. as the new mayor.

The Statewide Greenhouse referenda was conducted on separate machines at the same time as the primary on June 12, 1984.

The election of the new Mayor triggered another special election for the Thirteenth Ward Council Seat which was coupled with the Primary and General Election in September and in November and also included three local referenda questions.

The most time consuming project of 1984 was the purging and correcting of the voting list mandated by the General Assembly and agreed to by the City Council. This process removed 12,531 voters from the active list and coupled with many residency challenges, deaths, out of towns and changes netted a year end total of 75,862 eligible voters in Providence.

Respectfully submitted,

  
LAURENCE K. FLYNN, CHAIRMAN

  
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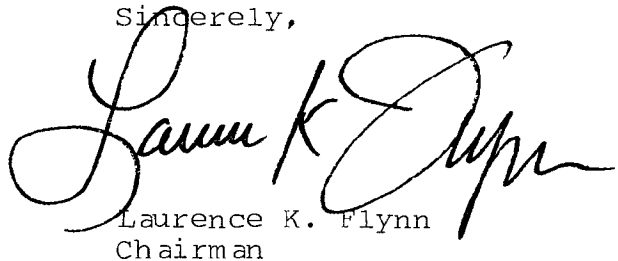
Rose M. Mendonca  
City Clerk  
City Hall  
Providence, R.I.

Dear Ms. Mendonca:

Enclosed please find 16 copies of the annual report of the Providence Board of Canvassers for the year 1984.

Would you please keep one copy for your records and distribute one copy to each Councilperson. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Laurence K. Flynn  
Chairman