

# CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND



The Credo of the Providence City Council is to be Industrious, to be Watchful and to Promote Peace. The bee, as a symbol of industry, is derived from the early colonial saying "Busy as a Bee"; the goose, as a symbol of watchfulness, is derived from the story of the goose whose cackling saved Rome; and the lamb, as a symbol of peace, is derived from the biblical use of the lamb as a symbol of peace.



IN CITY COUNCIL  
NOV 16 2023

APPROVED:  
*Tina L. Martineau* CLERK

# **CITY COUNCIL**

## **JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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**No. 26 City Council Regular Council Meeting, Thursday, November 2, 2023, 6:00 o'clock P.M.**

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### **PRESIDING**

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

### **RACHEL M. MILLER**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

**PRESENT: ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PICHARDO, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS, PETERSON, RYAN, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS – 12.**

**ABSENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ROIAS AND COUNCILMAN TAYLOR – 3.**

**ALSO PRESENT: TINA L. MASTROIANNI, CITY CLERK, SHERI A. PETRONIO, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, DONNA M. PELIGIAN, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, NAPOLEON ASKIE, CITY SERGEANT AND JEFFREY DANA, CITY SOLICITOR**

**(SUBSEQUENTLY, COUNCILOR ROIAS JOINS THE MEETING)**

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by **COUNCILWOMAN ALTHEA A. GRAVES**.

"Oh Lord God, we pray for peace and love in all the nations. Among all the people that all wars and hatred will end. We pray for those who suffer from war, injustice and intolerance. We pray for the children and the innocent who have to suffer from decisions of those in power. We pray for peace in our lives and our lands, our nations and most importantly in our hearts. Lord, give us world peace. The ability to learn, forgive and to love. Lord, we ask this of you and in your glorious name. May we all say Amen, Amen and Amen."

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## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**COUNCILWOMAN MARY KAY HARRIS** Leads the Members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

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## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Journal of Proceedings No. 25 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held October 19, 2023.

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of item 3 and Move Approval, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (WITH VOTE) [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Goncalves
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Acting Council President Pichardo, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 12.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor Roias and Councilman Taylor – 3.

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## APPOINTMENTS BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated October 18, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Section 2-354 of the Code of Ordinances, he is this day appointing **Thea Quiray Tagle** of 117 Grove Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02909, as a member of the **Art in City Life Commission**, for a term to expire on April 30, 2024. (Ms. Tagle replaces Ms. Adeyemi who has resigned).

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Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated October 23, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council and Joe Mardo, Chairman, Thayer Street District Commission Authority, that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Article XIII - Business Improvement Districts, Section 21-221(c) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, he is this day appointing **Anthony Aquino**, Community Relations Director for the City of Providence, as a member of the **Thayer Street District Management Authority**. (Mr. Aquino replaces Mr. Enos who has resigned.)

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of items 4 and 5, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PICHARDO Receives items 4 and 5.**

<b>RESULT:      RECEIVED</b>
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Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated October 23, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1013 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **David A. Caldwell, Jr.** of 41 Blackstone Boulevard, Providence, Rhode Island 02906, as a general citizenry category member of the **City Plan Commission** for a term to expire on January 31, 2028, and respectfully submits the same for your approval. (Mr. Caldwell replace Mr. Gazdacko who has resigned).

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of item 6, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PICHARDO Refers item 6 to the Committee on Finance.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED</b>
<b>TO:</b>	Committee on Finance

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## **APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated October 26, 2023, Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of **Director Kassim Yarn** as the designee from the Rhode Island Office of Veterans Services to the **Special Commission on Veterans Affairs**.

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Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated October 26, 2023, Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of **Kenneth Reis** of the Rhode Island Black Veterans/American Legion Post 69 to the **Special Commission on Veterans Affairs**.

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Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated October 26, 2023, Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of **Joseph Iannucci** of 55 Elmcroft Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island 02908 to the **Special Commission on Veterans Affairs**.

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Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated October 26, 2023,  
Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of **Lihna Agostini** of 25 Saint James Street,  
Providence, Rhode Island 02907 to the **Juvenile Hearing Board**.

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Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated October 26, 2023,  
Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of **Colleen M. Caron** of 30 Montague  
Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906 to the **Juvenile Hearing Board**.

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Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated October 26, 2023,  
Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of **Jane Pellegren** of 200 10<sup>th</sup> Street,  
Providence, Rhode Island 02906 to the **Juvenile Hearing Board**.

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Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated October 26, 2023,  
Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of **Jasmine Washington** of 869 River  
Avenue #1, Providence, Rhode Island 02908 to the **Juvenile Hearing Board**.

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**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of items 7 through 13,  
Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PICHARDO Receives items 7 through 13.**

<b>RESULT:      RECEIVED</b>
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## **ORDINANCE SECOND READING**

**The Following Ordinance was in City Council October 19, 2023, Read and Passed the First Time and is Returned for Passage the Second Time:**

**COUNCILORS ANDERBOIS, SANCHEZ, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES, COUNCILOR PICHARDO, COUNCILMAN VARGAS, COUNCILWOMEN ANTHONY, HARRIS, PETERSON AND VARGAS**

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 5 "Buildings and Structural Appurtenances" of the Code of Ordinances to add Article X "Building Energy Reporting Program".

### **SECTION 1.**

Chapter 5 "Buildings and Structural Appurtenances" is hereby amended to add Article X "Building Energy Reporting Program" as follows:

#### **Article X – Building Energy Reporting Program**

##### **Sec. 5-126. Purpose and intent.**

The purpose and intent of the Building Energy Reporting Program is to create a data collection process and establish a database to enable municipal tracking of energy use of large buildings in the City of Providence, as well as to:

- (1) To encourage efficient use of energy and to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by requiring annual measurement and disclosure to the City of building energy usage;
- (2) To enable more effective energy and climate mitigation planning by the City, the state, and large building owners;
- (3) To gather data necessary for informing the design and implementation of municipal programs to meet the science-based targets in the statewide Act on Climate legislation.
- (4) To provide the public with information concerning the City's and others' energy consumption, improvement in energy efficiency, and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions.

## **Sec. 5-127. Definitions.**

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used in this chapter, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a differing meaning:

*Benchmarking information* shall mean information generated by the Benchmarking Tool as herein defined, including information about the physical property and its operational characteristics. The information shall include, but need not be limited to:

- (1) Property address;
- (2) Primary use type;
- (3) Gross floor area;
- (4) Annual Energy Use;
- (5) Source Energy Use Intensity (EUI); Site EUI, Weather Normalized Source EUI, Weather Normalized Site EUI;
- (6) Annual greenhouse gas emissions;
- (7) Compliance or noncompliance with this Ordinance.

*Benchmarking Tool* shall mean ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager, the internet-based tool developed and maintained by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) to track and assess the relative energy performance of buildings nationwide. Should ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager become unavailable for any reporting year(s), the reporting obligations herein will be suspended until such time it is again available or a comparable alternative is designated by the Department of Sustainability.

*Campus* shall mean two or more buildings that are served by shared utility services and predominantly used for health care, research or higher education purposes.

*Covered property* shall mean all residential and non-residential buildings and Campuses in the City that contain 20,000 or more gross square feet and all municipal buildings and Campuses in the City that contain 10,000 or more gross square feet as defined herein and identified by the Tax Assessors Database.

*Dwelling unit* shall mean a single residential unit consisting of one or more rooms, occupied or arranged to be occupied as a residential unit separate from all other residential units within a building, and used primarily for residential purposes and not primarily for professional or commercial purposes.

*Director* means the Director of the Department of Sustainability or designee.

*Energy* shall mean electricity, natural gas, steam, hot or chilled water, heating oil, or other product for use in a building, or renewable electricity generation, for purposes of providing heating, cooling, lighting, water heating, or for powering or fueling other end-uses in the building and related facilities.



*ENERGY STAR* shall mean the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency program related to improving energy efficiency in buildings and products.

*Gross square feet* shall mean the gross floor area of the property as defined by the U.S. EPA Portfolio Manager.

*Municipal property* shall mean a building that contains 10,000 or more gross square feet that is owned by the City of Providence.

*Owner* shall mean:

- (1) An individual or entity designated in the records of the City Tax Assessor as the owner of a Covered Property;
- (2) An agent authorized by law to act on behalf of the owner of a Covered Property;
- (3) In the case of a condominium, the person or persons authorized by law to act on behalf of the condominium association or its board of directors, managers or trustees; and/or
- (4) In the case of a cooperative, the person or persons authorized by law to act on behalf of the cooperative.

*Site Energy* shall mean the annual amount of all the energy each property consumes on-site, regardless of the source. It not only includes energy purchased from a utility or in bulk, but also renewable energy generated and consumed on-site such as from solar or wind (excess renewable energy generated on-site is excluded from site energy use). Site Energy can be used to understand how the energy use for an individual property has changed over time.

*Source Energy* shall mean the total amount of raw fuel that is required to operate your property. Source EUI (Energy Use Intensity) is Source Energy divided by the property's Gross Floor Area. In addition to what the property consumes on-site, source energy includes losses that take place during generation, transmission, and distribution of the energy, thereby enabling a complete assessment of energy consumption resulting from building operations. Source Energy will be used to understand the complete energy impact of each property and compare the energy performance across covered properties in the program.

*Tenant* shall mean a person or entity leasing, occupying or holding over possession of a Covered Property or Municipal Property.

*Utility* shall mean an entity that distributes, supplies, or transmits energy to Covered Properties.

### **Sec. 5-128. Establishment.**

There is hereby established a Building Energy Reporting Program for Covered Properties with the purpose of helping the City conserve energy, reduce energy costs for businesses, and meet its goal to be carbon neutral by 2050 by requiring large building owners to benchmark their buildings' energy use and report this data to the City. The City will be responsible for reporting this information to the public in order to provide transparency to the marketplace.

### **Sec. 5-129. Benchmarking required for municipal properties.**

No later than May 15, 2024 and by May 15 thereafter, the City, by the Director of the Department of Sustainability or their designee, shall input annual energy use from January 1st through December 31st of the previous calendar year and all other descriptive information required by the Benchmarking Tool, into the Benchmarking Tool for each of its covered properties. Where a Covered Property's Benchmarking Information in the Benchmarking Tool has fallen out of date, said Benchmarking Information shall be updated no later than the annual reporting date.

### **Sec. 5-130. Benchmarking required for other covered properties.**

Owners of Covered Properties shall input annual energy use from January 1st through December 31st of the previous calendar year and all other descriptive information required by the Benchmarking Tool, into the Benchmarking Tool, according to the following schedule:

- (1) For buildings that contain 50,000 or more gross square feet, no later than May 15, 2025 and by every May 15 thereafter;
  - (2) For buildings that contain 20,000 to 49,999 gross square feet, no later than May 15, 2026 and by every May 15 thereafter;
- For buildings that contain 10,000 to 19,999 gross square feet, by May 15, 2026;
- (3) Following the receipt of Certificate of Occupancy, a new Covered Property that has not yet accumulated 12 months of energy use data by the first applicable reporting deadline shall comply with this Ordinance in the following year.

### **Sec. 5-131. Notification of Covered Properties.**

Between September 15 and December 15 of each year, the City shall notify Owners of Covered Properties of their obligation to input Energy use into the Benchmarking Tool. By January 31 of each year, the City shall post a list of the addresses of Covered Properties. The list shall be published in the Office of the City Clerk and on the Department of Sustainability's City webpage.

### **Sec. 5-132. Exemptions.**

An owner of an otherwise “Covered Property” may seek an exemption from the requirements of this Ordinance for a reporting year if any of the following conditions apply:

- (1) None of the property was occupied for the entire calendar year required to be benchmarked;
- (2) A demolition permit for the entire property was issued and demolition work commenced during the calendar year;
- (3) The property did not receive energy services for the entire calendar year required to be benchmarked
- (4) The property was a Residential Property with 15 or fewer Dwelling Units; and

If the building owner has substantial and documented difficulty accessing data from tenants and/or the relevant utility.

Applications for exceptions can be filed with the Director of the Department of Sustainability, using a form created by the Department, and with all relevant supporting documentation included and notarized prior to submission. Waivers will be granted or denied at the discretion of the Director of the Department of Sustainability.

### **Sec. 5-133. Provision and publication of benchmarking information.**

Owners shall annually provide Benchmarking Information to the Director, in such form as established by the Director, by the date provided by the schedule in Sec. 5-130 above.

No later than October 15, 2024 and thereafter by October 15 of each year, the Director shall deliver a summary report on the program to the Administration and City Council and then publish said report on the Department of Sustainability’s webpage. The report shall include, but not be limited to:

- (1) Benchmarking Information for each Covered Property, as described in Sec. 5-127, Definitions, above, for the current year;
- (2) Progress against baseline year data from intervening years for both energy use and GHG emissions.
- (3) Covered Properties’ compliance status with the Energy Assessment or Actions Requirements described in Sec. 5-135 below.

**Sec. 5-134. Direct upload.**

Owners of Covered Properties may authorize an energy utility or other third party to report building-specific energy data on their behalf to the Director. Such authorization shall not remove the obligation of property owners to comply with reporting requirements.

**Sec. 5-135. Energy assessments or actions.**

The Director shall establish requirements for energy assessment or actions, in the manner set forth below. Each Covered Property not exempted by the Director shall complete either an energy assessment or action, described below, within five (5) years of its first energy reporting deadline and within every five (5)-year period thereafter. The owner may elect whether to complete an assessment or an action.

**Sec. 5-136. Energy assessment or action requirements.**

(1) In establishing requirements for energy assessments, the Director shall look to the most recent edition of Procedures for Commercial Building Energy Audits published by the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) for guidance, and may vary these requirements based on building size, age, energy performance, and other building characteristics as well as incentives in utility-administered or other energy efficiency programs and changes in energy assessment technology.

(2) Energy actions may include investments in energy conservation measures, development of comprehensive energy management plans, retro commissioning of energy systems, or similar actions.

(3) Summary results of energy assessments and actions shall be reported to the Director in such form as the Director shall specify.

**Sec. 5-137. Maintenance of records.**

Owners shall maintain and make available upon request the following records for a period of five (5) years:

- (1) The U.S. EPA Portfolio Manager Confirmation email evidencing the date the Owner submitted its report;
- (2) Such other records as the Director determines is necessary for carrying out the purposes of this Ordinance, as reflected in the Director's regulations.
- (3) Sellers of Covered Property will provide purchasers all information necessary for the purchaser to report Benchmarking Information in a timely manner.

#### **Sec. 5-138. Violations and Enforcement.**

Any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance shall be subject to the following civil remedies:

- (1) For the first violation, the City may issue a written warning to the building owner.
- (2) For a second or subsequent violation, the City may impose civil fines as follows for each building not reported:
  - (a) For Buildings that contain 50,000 or more gross square feet, \$40.00 per day to a maximum of \$4,000.00 per year;
  - (b) For Buildings that contain 20,000 or more gross square feet, \$30.00 per day to a maximum of \$3,000.00 per year;
- (3) Upon request by the Director, the Office of Sustainability shall issue notices of violation in accordance with this section. The Director shall identify the department responsible for conducting enforcement.
- (4) Any person who makes a misrepresentation of a material fact in any document or filing governed by this Ordinance shall be subject to any and all other remedies available at law.
- (5) In addition to any remedies provided above, the City may, by and through the Solicitor, seek injunctive relief in a court of competent jurisdiction.
- (6) This subsection shall not be amended unless a public hearing is convened by a committee of the Council.

#### **Sec. 5-139. Severability.**

If any provision of this Ordinance shall be held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, then such provision shall be considered separately and apart from the remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 2.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of item 14 and Pass for the Second Time on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>READ/PASSED SECOND TIME [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Goncalves
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Acting Council President Pichardo, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 12.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor Roias and Councilman Taylor – 3.

**The Motion for Passage the Second Time is Sustained.**

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## **PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE**

### **COUNCILMEN ESPINAL AND GONCALVES**

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 1, Article X of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "City Departments."

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED</b>
<b>TO:</b>	Committee on Ordinances

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## **PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS**

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, (By Request):**

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Change Order #1 Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26 (b)(4) of the Code of Ordinances.

First Works	\$42,000.00
(Department of Art, Culture and Tourism)	

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26 (b)(1) of the Code of Ordinances.

J.F. Brennan Company, Inc.  
(Providence Water)

\$7,774,510.00

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Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Notification of Outside Legal Counsel Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26 (b)(2) of the Code of Ordinances.

Lifespan Physician Group, Medical and Life Care Consulting  
and Padwa Law Group  
(Law Department)

\$546,500.00

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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON AND  
COUNCILMAN VARGAS, (By Request):**

Resolution of the Providence City Council Supporting and Approving the Providence Public School District's Necessity of School Construction Application to the Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE) for Stage II approval.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED</b>
<b>TO:</b>	Committee on Finance

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of items 15 through 19,  
Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PICHARDO Refers item 15 to the Committee on  
Ordinances and items 16 through 19 Refer to the Committee on Finance.**

**COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILMEN  
ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMEN  
GRAVES, HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILOR PICHARDO,  
COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution in Loving Memory of Jayar Santos.

**WHEREAS**, The Providence City Council wishes to record its deep sorrow over the passing of Jayar Santos; and

**WHEREAS**, Jayar devoted his life to public service and to the youth of Providence; and

**WHEREAS**, The Providence City Council is grateful for his many contributions as an outstanding citizen in our community; and

**WHEREAS**, Jayar was a devoted husband to his high school sweetheart Nicole (Ramos) Santos; and

**WHEREAS**, Jayar was the proud father of Najah and Jamier; and

**WHEREAS**, Jayar was the beloved son of Frank and Wilmette Santos; and

**WHEREAS**, Jayar was an accomplished athlete and coach who graduate from La Salle Academy where he played basketball and football and went on to play NCAA Division I Football for Hofstra University; and

**WHEREAS**, Jayar's deep commitment to the youth of Providence was exemplified in his role as the Associate Dean of Students at PVD Preparatory Charter School and the Assistant Director of the Vincent Brown Recreation Center on the East Side; and

**WHEREAS**, Jayar will forever be remembered as someone who bettered the lives of so many who knew him; and

**WHEREAS**, Jayar's service was given with such devotion, the he has earned the respect, admiration, and friendship of all the citizens of our community through his tireless leadership.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, In recognition of Jayar Santos' contributions to the City of Providence and its youth, we hereby express our deep appreciation to his service to this community and extend to his family our sincerest sympathy upon his passing.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, This resolution be transcribed in the minutes of the Providence City Council and that the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the family of Jayar Santos.

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of item 20 and Pass on Voice Vote and have the Clerk read it into the record, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PASSED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Goncalves
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Acting Council President Pichardo, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 12.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor Roias and Councilman Taylor – 3.

**The Motion for Passage is Sustained.**



**COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER,  
COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILORS SANCHEZ, COUNCILOR  
ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES,  
PETERSON, COUNCILOR PICHARDO AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Establishing the "Rose Marie Russel" Ceremonial Designation along  
Comstock Avenue located in Ward 11.

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of item 21, Seconded by  
COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PICHARDO Refers item 21 to the Committee on  
Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED</b>
<b>TO:</b>	Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning

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**COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILMAN  
GONCALVES, COUNCILORS SANCHEZ, ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN  
ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES, COUNCILOR PICHARDO,  
COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution in Loving Memory of Cameron Ramsay.

**WHEREAS**, We, the Providence City Council, with heavy hearts and profound sorrow, recognize the profound loss of a cherished member of our community, Cameron Ramsay, who departed this world on October 17, 2023, at the tender age of 36; and

**WHEREAS**, Born on November 8, 1986, in Fall River, Massachusetts, Cameron was the beloved son of Duncan and Patricia (Crane) Ramsay, and after the passing of his father, he and his mother relocated to Tiverton, RI, where he found joy in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, Cameron's formative years in Tiverton were marked by a love for sports, playing youth soccer, basketball, and baseball. He showcased his athletic spirit as a member of the Tiverton High School tennis team and later found camaraderie in an adult Whiffle Ball League with lifelong friends; and

**WHEREAS**, Despite facing challenges with motor skills in his early years, Cameron defied the odds and discovered a passion for sleight of hand, becoming an active member of the Rhode Island Society of Magicians (RISM) and contributing to the production of a pilot episode for the magic series "Don't Trust Andrew Mayne" on A & E; and

**WHEREAS**, Cameron's journey continued at the University of Rhode Island, where he earned a bachelor's degree in Communication. His exceptional communication and people skills became instrumental in his participation in key roles within political campaigns at both the town and Rhode Island state senatorial levels; and

**WHEREAS**, Cameron's name became intertwined with our civic landscape, standing as a pillar of support for political candidates across Rhode Island who embodied the principles of justice and equality that he cherished; and

**WHEREAS**, The void left by Cameron's departure is not just a loss for his family and friends but for our entire community, a poignant reminder of the impact one dedicated soul can have.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That we, the Providence City Council, bow our heads in solemn remembrance, honoring the remarkable life and contributions of Cameron Ramsay.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That this resolution be presented to Cameron Ramsay's family as a small token of our deep sympathy, gratitude, and enduring love for the extraordinary person he was.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, Let this resolution stand as a testament to the enduring impact Cameron Ramsay made upon our hearts and the City of Providence, adopted on November 2, 2023.

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**COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR  
SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS, VARGAS AND  
COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Calling for an immediate De-Escalation and Ceasefire in Israel and Occupied Palestine.

**WHEREAS**, All human life is precious, and the targeting of civilians, no matter their faith or ethnicity, is a violation of international humanitarian law; and

**WHEREAS**, Between October 7 and October 27, 2023, armed violence has claimed the lives of over 7,000 Palestinians and over 1,400 Israelis, including Americans, and wounded thousands more; and

**WHEREAS**, Hundreds of thousands of lives are at imminent risk if a cease-fire is not achieved and humanitarian aid is not delivered without delay; and

**WHEREAS**, All members of the Rhode Island Federal Delegation must use the platform provided by their office to advocate for measures that will result in the least amount of death and violence; and

**WHEREAS**, The Federal Government holds immense diplomatic power to save Israeli and Palestinian lives.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the City of Providence

- (1) Urges the Biden administration to immediately call for and facilitate de-escalation and a ceasefire to urgently end the current violence; and
- (2) Calls upon the Biden administration to promptly send and facilitate the entry of humanitarian assistance to Gaza

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage a copy of this Resolution be sent to the Office of U.S. President Joe Biden, the Office of U.S. Representative Seth Magaziner, the Office of U.S. Senator Sheldon Whitehouse, and the Office of U.S. Senator Jack Reed.

**COUNCILOR SANCHEZ Moves to Waive the Reading of items 22 and 23 and Pass on Voice Vote and have the Clerk read both items into the record, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**Resolution in loving memory of Cameron Ramsay.**

**RESULT:** PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** Councilor Sanchez

**SECONDER:** Councilwoman Harris

**AYES:** Acting Council President Pichardo, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 12.

**ABSENT:** Council President Miller, Councilor Roias and Councilman Taylor – 3.

**Resolution Calling for an immediate De-Escalation and Ceasefire in Israel and Occupied Palestine.**

**RESULT:** PASSED [11 TO 1]

**MOVER:** Councilor Sanchez

**SECONDER:** Councilwoman Harris

**AYES:** Acting Council President Pichardo, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Sanchez, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 11.

**NAYS:** Councilwoman Ryan – 1.

**ABSENT:** Council President Miller, Councilor Roias and Councilman Taylor – 3.

**The Motion for Passage is Sustained.**

## REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEE

### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE COUNCILWOMAN HELEN D. ANTHONY, Chairwoman

**Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally Adopted, As Amended:**

#### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS, (By Request):**

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2021-25, No. 341, Adopting the American Rescue Plan Act Grant Budget for the period of April 2, 2021 through September 30, 2021, Approved July 16, 2021.

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An Ordinance in Amendment of Ordinance 2022-21 No. 190 Adopting the American Rescue Plan Act Grant Budget for the period of January 6, 2022 through December 31, 2024, Approved May 20, 2022.

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of items 24 and 25 and Pass for the First Time on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>READ/PASSED FOR THE FIRST TIME [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Goncalves
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Acting Council President Pichardo, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 13.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Council President Miller and Councilman Taylor – 2.

**The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.**

## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition from Dylan Conley, Esquire, Conley Law Associates, 123 Dyer Street, Suite 2b, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, requesting a Zone Change for the property located on Assessor's Plat 35, Lot 555 (125 Tobey Street), from R-3 to R-4.

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Petition from Dylan Conley, Esquire, Conley Law Associates, 123 Dyer Street, Suite 2b, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, requesting a Zone Change for the property located on Assessor's Plat 28, Lot 1046 (20 America Street), from R-3 to R-4.

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Petition from Dylan Conley, Esquire, Conley Law Associates, 123 Dyer Street, Suite 2b, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, requesting a Zone Change for the property located on Assessor's Plat 28, Lot 819 (64 America Street) (a.k.a. 62 America Street), from R-3 to R-4.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED</b>
<b>TO:</b>	Committee on Ordinances

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Petitions for Compensation for Injuries and Damages, viz:

John J. Dunne  
Shenika Hollloway  
Anthony C. Barry  
Progressive Casualty Insurance Company  
a/s/o Andrea Rojo  
Stephen Jagolinzer  
Dania Mendez  
Nahlah Thomas  
Maria Santos

Jason Schneider  
Emma Crisfield  
Latitude Subrogation Services  
o/b/o Cambridge Mutual Fire  
Insurance Co a/s/o Dorothy Mattiello  
Taiwo Akinsiji  
Aurora Mena Torres  
Ingrid Froehlich

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED</b>
<b>TO:</b>	Committee on Claims and Pending Suits

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## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Communication from Mayor Brett P. Smiley, City of Providence, Governor Daniel J. McKee, State of Rhode Island and Christopher Marsella, Chair, Providence Foundation, informing Lisa Carnevale that in accordance with the provisions of Section 2, Chapter 332 of the Rhode Island Public Laws of 1981, as amended by Article XXV of Chapter 167 of the Public Laws of 1983, they have appointed her as Chairwoman of the Capital Center Commission for a term expiring June 30, 2024.

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Communication from Rebecca Webber, dated October 13, 2023, submitting her resignation from the Capital Center Commission and the Downtown Design Review Committee effective immediately.

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Report from Tina L. Mastroianni, City Clerk, dated October 24, 2023, of all monies received, transmitted to and credited by the City Collector for fiscal quarter of July 1, 2023 to and including September 30, 2023, in a total amount of Three Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Nine Dollars (\$3,779.00).

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Report from Tina L. Mastroianni, City Clerk, dated October 25, 2023, of all monies received, transmitted to and credited by the City Collector for fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, in a total amount of Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Fourteen Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$11,314.80).

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<b>RESULT:</b> <b>RECEIVED</b>
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**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of items 26 through 33, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**ACTING COUNCIL PRESIDENT PICHARDO Refers items 26 through 28 to the Committee on Ordinances, item 29 Severally Refer to the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits and Receive items 30 through 33.**

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## **PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN CONGRATULATIONS"**

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Resolution Extending Congratulations.

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

Convite Femenino, Guatemala, RI, USA, en reconocimiento de, Por Promover la cultura del  
Convite entre mujeres emprendedoras.

Convite Guatemala, Rhode Island, USA, en reconocimiento del, Patrimonio Cultural de  
Guatemala en Providence.

Pa Samuel Olusegun Oyetayo, in recognition of the celebration of your 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday on October  
28<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and for being a trustworthy and distinguished long-time member of the Yoruba Elders  
International Society. Best wishes and sincerest congratulations to you!

Deaconess Rebecca Daramola, in recognition of the celebration of your 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Jocelyne de Gouvenain, Former CLAP Board President, in recognition of the celebration of  
being the recipient to receive the 2023 "Extraordinary Service" award.

Peter Neronha, Rhode Island Attorney General, in recognition of the celebration of being the  
recipient to receive the 2023 "Beyond the Call of Duty" award.

David Morales, Rhode Island State Representative, in recognition of the celebration of being the  
recipient to receive the 2023 "Legislator of the Year" award.

Elizabeth Gonzalez, Parent Advocate, in recognition of the celebration of being the recipient to  
receive the 2023 "Community Activist" award.

Dr. Remi Jones, CEO & Host of RemiTV, First Black-Owned women television talk show  
program in the state of RI, in recognition of being the recipient of the 2023 Powerhouse Women  
VI and for your excellence in Service.

Troylynda Williams, Pastor, Community Leader, in recognition of being the recipient of the  
2023 Powerhouse Women VI and for your excellence in Service.

Denise DeBarros, Community Leader, Advocate, in recognition of being the recipient of the  
2023 Powerhouse Women VI and for your excellence in Service.

Melissa Parham, Business Owner Peaches & Kurves, in recognition of being the recipient of the  
2023 Powerhouse Women VI and for your excellence in Service.

Dr. Deana Waite, Higher Ed. Leader, Entrepreneur Good Ole' Resources, in recognition of being the recipient of the 2023 Powerhouse Women VI and for your excellence in Service.

Wanda Brown, Community Leader, Advocate, in recognition of being the recipient of the 2023 Powerhouse Women VI and for your excellence in Service.

The Honorable Ana Quezada, in recognition of your participation in the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration and for keeping your culture and traditions through Music and Arts and for being one of the first Latinas to run for Congressional Office in Rhode Island.

The Honorable Sabina Matos, in recognition of your participation in the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration and for keeping your culture and traditions through Music and Arts and for being one of the first Latinas to run for Congressional Office in Rhode Island.

Andre Herrera, in recognition of your work with the Central Cultural Andino.

The Honorable Sandra Cano, in recognition of your participation in the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration and for keeping your culture and traditions through Music and Arts and for being one of the first Latinas to run for Congressional Office in Rhode Island.

Jenny Gonzalez, in recognition of being the first Elected Peruvian American in Rhode Island.

Liza Gordon, in recognition of your long term work in the community and with the City of Providence.

The Honorable Nellie Gorbea, in recognition of your participation in the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration and for keeping your culture and traditions through Music and Arts and for being the first Latina Secretary of State of Rhode Island.

The Honorable Mayor Maria Rivera, in recognition of your participation in the Hispanic Heritage Month celebration and for keeping your culture and traditions through Music and Arts and for being the first Latina Mayor in the State of Rhode Island.

Patrolman Brian Corcoran, Providence Police Department, in recognition of your retirement on May 21, 2022, and for your 33 years of dedicated service to the City of Providence.

Donna Manco, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Lisa Bertoldi, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Dora Villari, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Alfred Pedro, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.



Maritza Hernandez, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Patricia Dalomba, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

John Kupiec, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Beatrice Washington, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Jeffrey Horton, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Marianna Hopson, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Michelle Kennedy, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Juana Polanco, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Elizabeth Lanza, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Justa Negron, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Lori Passarelli, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Karen Coia, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Jose Valerio, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Susan Meoni, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Abayomi Elemo, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Annmarie Deady, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Michelle Pagliaro, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Cathy Johnson, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Beth Battey, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Olga Ramon, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Stedmon Lapsey, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Brinia Henderson, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Earnest Cox, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Marie Bean-Hull, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Rafael Medina, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Maria Geraldles, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Susan Chin, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Lawrence Olivieri, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Roberta Idone, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Luann Palazzo, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Kimberley Grant, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Gregory Mailloux, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Dorcas Correa, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Donna DiLanna-Moore, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Carolyn Richardson, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Kenneth Sullo, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Diane Frenze, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Elaine Delaney, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Linda Lefebvre, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Marie Ward, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Francesca Orsini, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

John Mazzocca, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Christine Gilmartin, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Christopher Pride, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Peter Quesnel, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Frederick Conery, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Esperanza Vallejo, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Donna Heroux-Everson, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Christopher Out, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Elsa Mailloux, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Kerri Little, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Elizabeth Hurley, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Cindy Engelhardt, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Jane Farrell, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

C.T. Bonzagni, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Siobhan Giorgi, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Ruth Rodriguez-Nelson, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Noreen Farrelly, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Barbara Badio, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Laurie McKenna-Therrien, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Helaine Hager, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Theresa Crum, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Ellen Anderson, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Maureen Eldredge, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Maria Marquis, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Therese Jungels, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Kimberly Alves, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Marie Ward, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Dawn Blackwell, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Ramiro Gonzalez, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Norman Leach, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Lori Iannucci, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Mary Ann Puchalski-Mascena, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Nancy Holgate, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Lynn Pollock, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Miguel Herrera, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

David Collier, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

James Colbert, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Victor Guzman, in recognition of the celebration of your retirement from the Providence Public School Department.

Lanre Ajakaiye, Chief Development Officer for United Way of Rhode Island, in recognition of being the recipient of the Rhode Island Black Business Association 2023 George T. Downing Business Leadership Award at the Annual Award Gala, and for your outstanding leadership, vision and excellence in performance and your willingness to serve as an inspiration to other business owners.

Edmund Addai, CEO of The Stack House, in recognition of being the recipient of the Rhode Island Black Business Association 2023 Isaac Rice Entrepreneur of the Year Award at the Annual Award Gala, and for your exceptional management, entrepreneurial achievements, and dedication to impacting the community.

Mamadou Ba, Director of HOB0 Product Management, in recognition of the Rhode Island Black Business Association 2023 Emerging Leader Award at the Annual Award Gala, and for your exemplary leadership and contributions you have made throughout Rhode Island to advance equity.

Kim Barker Lee, Executive Vice President of Bally's Corporation, in recognition of being the recipient of the Rhode Island Black Business Association 2023 Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Champion Award at the Annual Award Gala, and for your tenacious and unyielding commitment to workplace diversity, equity and inclusion throughout the state of Rhode Island.

Frank Caprio, Chief Judge for the Providence Municipal Court, in recognition of being the recipient of the Rhode Island Black Business Association 2023 Outstanding Achievement & Leadership Award at the Annual Award Gala, and for your outstanding leadership and accomplishments as well as your willingness to go the extra mile to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion.

Vennicia Kingston, CEO of Eagle Eye Construction, in recognition of being the recipient of the Rhode Island Black Business Association 2023 Member of the Year Award at the Annual Award Gala, and for your outstanding contributions, leadership, and achievements in service to the Rhode Island Black Business Association, our members and the community.

Weayonnoh Nelson-Davies, Executive Director of the Economic Progress Institute, in recognition of being the recipient of the Rhode Island Black Business Association 2023 Christiana Bannister Civic Leadership Award at the Annual Award Gala, with appreciation and for your decades of dedicated service, devotion, and contributions to the advancement of social and economic justice.

Marcy Reyes, Founder & CEO of FLYInitiative, in recognition of being the recipient of the Rhode Island Black Business Association 2023 Change Agent Award at the Annual Award Gala, for your bold leadership and unwavering commitment in using your platform as a catalyst, to transform lives throughout Rhode Island.

John Tarantino, Senior Counsel for Alder Pollock & Sheehan, in recognition of being the recipient of the Rhode Island Black Business Association 2023 Partnership Award at the Annual Award Gala, for your exemplary leadership by facilitating partnerships with public, private, or social sector leaders and working together to deliver strategic solutions.

Matthew E. Taylor, in recognition of the celebration of your 24<sup>th</sup> Birthday!

Ineida Lopes De Carvalho-Rocha, Health Equity Coordinator, Department of Health, in recognition of being the recipient of the 2023 Powerhouse Women VI and for your Excellence in Service.

Paso Sensual, en reconocimiento de, su participacion en la Celebración de la Herencia Hispana en el Ayuntamiento de Providence.

Quisqueya in Action Folklore, en reconocimiento de, su participacion en la Celebración de la Herencia Hispana en el Ayuntamiento de Providence.

Raices, en reconocimiento de, su participacion en la Celebración de la Herencia Hispana en el Ayuntamiento de Providence.

San Simon Sucre de Rhode Island, en reconocimiento de, su participacion en la Celebración de la Herencia Hispana en el Ayuntamiento de Providence.

Convite Guatemala, en reconocimiento de, su participacion en la Celebración de la Herencia Hispana en el Ayuntamiento de Providence.

Diony Garcia, in recognition of your years of service on the Latino Institute Policy, most recently as the Board's Co-Chair, and for your steadfast belief and support of LPI and the Latino Community.

Roger Williams University, in recognition of being an incubator for the Latino Policy Institute since 2009, helping to support and grow LPI and for your work and success achieved by working together.

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of item 34 and Pass on a Voice Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PASSED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Goncalves
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Acting Council President Pichardo, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 13.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Council President Miller and Councilman Taylor – 2.

**The Motion for Passage is Sustained.**

**PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS  
"IN MEMORIAM"**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Resolution Extending Sympathy.

RESOLVED, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere  
Sympathy to the families of the following:

Rosa Bodden

Retired Battalion Chief Robert J. Waters

Donald J. Solomon, Sr.

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES Moves to Waive the Reading of item 35 and Pass on a  
Unanimous Rising Vote, Seconded By COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PASSED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Goncalves
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Acting Council President Pichardo, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilor Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 13.
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Council President Miller and Councilman Taylor – 2.

**The Motion for Passage is Sustained.**



## CONVENTION

There being no further business, on Motion of **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**, Seconded by **COUNCILMAN GONCALVES**, it is voted to adjourn in memory of Jayor M. Santos, Cameron Ramsey, Donald J. Solomon, Sr. and all those who have lost their lives around the globe given the recent global conflicts at 6:29 o'clock P.M., to meet again **THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2023 at 6:00 o'clock P.M.**



**TINA L. MASTROIANNI**  
**CITY CLERK**

*This meeting was live streamed and the recording is available on our  
YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jWk2XBRtlxI>*

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