



## Executive Office, City of Providence, Rhode Island

VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.

MAYOR

April 8, 1999

The Honorable Members of the  
City Council of the City of Providence  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

Pursuant to Sections 302(f) and 412 of the Providence Home Rule Charter, I hereby disapprove and veto the Resolution passed March 30, 1999 by the City Council of the City of Providence relative to "requesting the Director of Public Property to make necessary preparations to facilitate and secure the Board of Aldermen's Chamber to be used as the public meeting room for the various committees of the City Council".

Currently, City Council meetings are held in Committee Room A, the Council Chamber and the conference room on the third floor of City Hall. The Aldermen's Chamber has been utilized for swearing in ceremonies, receptions, award ceremonies, graduations, art exhibitions and holiday celebrations open to the benefit of the public on a regular basis. Also, this is the only remaining room in City Hall that is large enough to service the many meetings of City departments, services for the employees and the public-at-large, such as the wellness programs and flu shot clinics. To secure yet another room in City Hall for council meetings would unnecessarily eliminate the use of the chamber for those events, especially in light of the space already available for council purposes.

Additionally, Council Committee meetings are held primarily in the evening, which means the Chamber would be underutilized, yet unavailable, during City Hall business hours.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAY 6 1999

READ  
WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT  
THE SAME BE RECEIVED

*Michael R. Clement* CLERK

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Furthermore, if three rooms prove to be insufficient meeting space for the City Council, the room is available to be used. To restrict its use in the manner proposed by the resolution is unwarranted and in my judgment, not prudent at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Vincent A. Cianci, Jr.", followed by a large, sweeping flourish that extends to the right.

VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.  
MAYOR

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No.

*Approved*

RESOLVED, That the Director of Public Property is requested  
to make all necessary preparations to facilitate and secure the Board of  
Aldermen Chamber to be used as the public meeting room for the various  
committees of the City Council.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAR 30 1999  
READ AND PASSED  
*[Signature]*  
PRES.  
*[Signature]*  
CLERK

*I hereby  
disapprove  
and veto  
Mayor Vincent Cianci  
April 8, 1999*

Concubina De Luis (By request)