

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 439

Approved October 10, 2014

WHEREAS, In 1940, Arthur and Ruby Lawrence moved from South Carolina to Rhode Island seeking greater opportunity and a better life for their family; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence have been married for 75 years; and

WHEREAS, The Lawrence family has lived on Rhodes Street, around the corner from the Alphonso Street Park, for 74 years; and

WHEREAS, They raised their nine children in that home and helped raise their many grandchildren and great-grandchildren there, as well; and

WHEREAS, In their many decades in South Providence, the Lawrences have become pillars of their community, who friends and neighbors have continually turned to for wisdom and support; and

WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence have instilled the values of kindness, forgiveness, and respect in their family, and have taught the importance of those values to all who have sought their advice; and

WHEREAS, In 1952, the Church of God in Jesus Christ held its first ever prayer meeting in the Lawrences' living room on Rhodes Street; and

WHEREAS, The Lawrences have set an incredible example for all Rhode Islanders of how to live a life focused on faith, family, and community; and

WHEREAS, Renaming and rededicating the Alphonso Street Park in Arthur and Ruby Lawrence's honor is a fitting tribute that will ensure their many contributions to life in Providence will never be forgotten.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby honor and congratulate Arthur and Ruby Lawrence on the occasion of their 75th wedding anniversary.

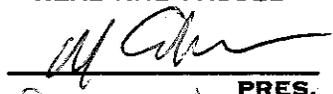
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Alphonso Street Park, located at 10 Alphonso Street, shall be known as the "Arthur and Ruby Lawrence Neighborhood Park."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence and to the Providence Board of Park Commissioners.

IN CITY COUNCIL

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READ AND PASSED

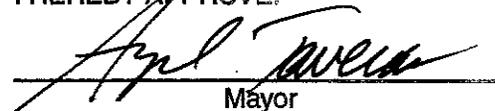


PRES.



ACTING CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.



Mayor

Date: 10/10/14



CITY OF PROVIDENCE
Angel Taveras, Mayor

September 23, 2014

MEMO

TO: Lori Hagen, Deputy City Clerk
FROM: Robert F. McMahon, Superintendent of Parks & Recreation
RE: Board of Park Commissioners Meeting, September 17, 2014

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert F. McMahon".

On the above date the Board of Park Commissioners met and unanimously approved the following City Council resolutions:

Request to rename Alphonso Street Park, "Arthur and Ruby Lawrence Neighborhood Park"

Request to name the new water splash park at Pastore Park, "John J. Lombardi Splash Park at Pastore Park"

We look forward to the Council taking final action on these requests.

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CITY OF PROVIDENCE
Angel Taveras, Mayor
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, September 17, 2014

8:00 AM

ROGER WILLIAMS PARK CASINO
1000 ELMWOOD AVENUE, PROVIDENCE, RI

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 7, 2014 MEETING MINUTES
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT
- V. RETIREMENT OF PARKS LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, JOEL BOODON.
- VI. CURRENT ROGER WILLIAMS PARK INITIATIVES
 - Friends Group
 - RI Foundation Funded Capital Improvements Plan
 - November Open Space & Environment Bond
- VII. REQUEST TO RENAME ALPHONSO STREET PARK, "ARTHUR AND RUBY LAWRENCE NEIGHBORHOOD PARK" (Councilman and Park Commissioner Nicholas Narducci). DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE
- VIII. REQUEST TO NAME THE NEW WATER SPLASH PARK AT PASTORE PARK "JOHN J. LOMBARDI SPLASH PARK AT PASTORE PARK" (Councilman and Park Commissioner Nicholas Narducci) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE
- IX. PRESENTATION OF A PROPOSED CAPE VERDEAN MEMORIAL AT INDIA POINT PARK (Cape Verdean Memorial Committee). DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE
- X. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
- XI. OLD BUSINESS
- XII. NEW BUSINESS
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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