

CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
RHODE ISLAND



CITY COUNCIL

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

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No. 37 City Council Regular Meeting, Thursday, May 18, 2000, 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.)

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PRESIDING

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

JOHN J. LOMBARDI

ROLL CALL

Present: Council President Lombardi,  
Councilmen Allen, Aponte, Butler, DeLuca,  
Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Has-  
sett, Igliozi, Jackson, Mancini, Council-  
women Nolan, Romano and Williams—13.

Absent: Councilman Clarkin and Council-  
woman Young—2.

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IN CITY COUNCIL  
JUN 15 2000

APPROVED:

*Richard R. Clement*  
CLERK

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by Assistant Pastor, Reverend ANGELO N. CARUSI of Saint Ann's Church, Hawkins Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

COUNCILWOMAN JOSEPHINE DiRUZZO leads the members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

## APPOINTMENT BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication dated May 1, 2000, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980 and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day reappointing Ms. Dianne Witman of 64 Hazard Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island, as a Member of the Providence Public Building Authority for a

term to expire in July, 2005, and respectfully submits the same for approval.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI**  
Receives the Communication and Refers the same to the Committee on Finance.

The motion to Receive and Refer is Sustained.

## ORDINANCES SECOND READING

**The following Ordinances were in City Council May 3, 2000, Read and Passed the First Time and are severally returned for Passage the Second Time:**

An Ordinance amending the Compensation Plan for the City of Providence and repealing Ordinance Chapter 1999-23, approved August 5, 1999, as amended.

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

*Add:*

Deputy Commissioner of Public Safety A-23

**Read and Passed the Second Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN ALLEN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Aponte, DeLuca, Iglio-  
zzi, Jackson, Councilwomen Romano and Williams—8.

**Nays:** Councilman Butler, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilman Hassett and Councilwoman Nolan—4.

**Absent:** Councilmen Clarkin, Mancini and Councilwoman Young—3.

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

An Ordinance amending the Classes of Positions, the Maximum Number of Employees and the Number of Employees in Certain Classes in the City Departments and repealing Ordinance Chapter 1999-24, approved August 5, 1999, as amended.

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

The number of employees in the City Departments listed in the Ordinance shall not exceed and be no more than the following:

*Section 16. Commissioner of Public Safety.*

*Add:*

2 Deputy Commissioner — Public Safety

8 *Department Total*

**Read and Passed the Second Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN ALLEN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Aponte, DeLuca, Iglio-  
zzi, Jackson, Mancini, Councilwomen Romano and Williams—9.

**Nays:** Councilman Butler, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilman Hassett and Councilwoman Nolan—4.

**Absent: Councilman Clarkin and Councilwoman Young—2.**

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

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An Ordinance establishing a Tax Stabilization Plan for 244 Broad Street, LLC, as amended.

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

*Preamble*

*Whereas*, The City Council, pursuant to Section 43-3-3.1 and Section 44-3-9 of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island, as amended, has the authority to exempt property used for industrial or commercial purposes from the payment of property tax if the granting of the exemption meets certain conditions set forth in said Sections of the General Laws of the State of Rhode Island; and

*Whereas*, 244 Broad Street, LLC has made application under, and has satisfied each condition of the above mentioned sections of the Rhode Island General Laws; and

*Whereas*, 244 Broad Street, LLC is a commercial concern who intends to locate its facility to the City of Providence and agrees, as a condition of the hereinafter referenced "tax treaty," to increase its workforce in the City of Providence, by virtue of such relocation to 242-248 Broad Street, in Providence, Rhode Island 02907, on Assessors Plat 29, Lot 359 and ("Project"); and

*Whereas*, The Project will cause an increase in the tax base of the City and will increase employment opportunities in the City; and

*Whereas*, It is in the interest of the residents of the City of Providence to grant such an exemption to induce the development and construction of the Project in the City, and such exemption will inure to the benefit of the City;

*Be it ordained by the City of Providence:*

*Section 1.* That the findings set forth in the preceding Preamble Clauses are hereby made and confirmed.

*Section 2.* As long as 244 Broad Street, LLC owns or operates the facility, it will continue to pay taxes on the facility. 244 Broad Street, LLC, its successors and assigns, agree that this property will be subject to full taxation at the expiration of the tax treaty. 244 Broad Street, LLC also agrees not to transfer the property to a tax-exempt entity or to allow any transfer by any subsequent transferee to a tax-exempt entity during the term of the tax treaty. 244 Broad Street, LLC is also required as a condition precedent to this tax treaty to record notice of the requirement that the property covered by this Ordinance be transferred only to a tax paying entity during the term of the tax treaty in the Land Evidence Records of the City of Providence. Notwithstanding this provision, in the event that the successor to the property does not make the payments under the tax treaty, 244 Broad Street, LLC will be responsible to make payments in lieu of taxes to the City of Providence in the amounts set forth in the attached schedule during the term of the tax treaty. In the event that the property covered by this Ordinance is transferred to a tax-exempt entity, whether by 244 Broad Street, LLC or any subsequent transferee to such property, 244 Broad Street, LLC will be responsible to make payments in lieu of taxes to the City of Providence during the term of the tax treaty equal to the amount of taxes which

would have been paid to the City of Providence if such prohibition against transfer to a tax-exempt entity had not been violated. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein or in the tax treaty used in connection herewith, the provisions of this Section 2 shall continue to be given full force and effect until such time as the same shall be amended or terminated by majority vote of the City Council of Providence.

*Section 3.* 244 Broad Street, LLC shall use best efforts to award to Minority Business Enterprises as defined in Rhode Island General Laws, Section 37-14.1 ("MBE Act") 30% of the dollar value of the construction costs for the Project (as determined in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to the MBE act), but in any event, a minimum of 10% of the above-mentioned costs. 244 Broad Street, LLC shall also use best efforts to award to women business enterprises (WBE) 30% of the dollar value of the construction costs for the project (as determined in accordance with Section 21-52 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence), but in any event, a minimum of 10% of the above-mentioned costs. It shall be a further goal of 244 Broad Street, LLC to achieve a minimum level of 10% for minority and 10% for female employment.

*Section 4.* 244 Broad Street, LLC shall use best efforts to achieve a goal of hiring thirty per cent (30%) of their employees from the City of Providence, but in any event, a minimum of ten per cent (10%) of the employees shall be residents of the City of Providence. 244 Broad Street, LLC shall also employ a minimum of five (5) employees at the facility used for the purposes of catering and banquet facilities located at 244 Broad Street in Providence upon occupancy of said facility. In accordance with this section, 244 Broad Street, LLC shall give preferential consideration to qualified appli-

cants who reside in the City of Providence with regard to all hiring decisions during the term of this tax treaty. Failure to generate the required additional new jobs within twenty-four (24) months of the date of occupancy, shall render the treaty null and void, unless so waived by the City Council. The treaty being rendered null and void shall require the owner of the property to pay all taxes and fees as due and owing as if no treaty had been entered.

*Section 5.* The schedules listed below are based upon information provided to the Tax Assessor by 244 Broad Street, LLC including, but not limited, to estimated construction costs. In addition to the payments listed in the attached schedule, 244 Broad Street, LLC shall also make a payment in lieu of taxes payment in the amount of \$879.07 for the 1999 year payment. This treaty is based upon information relative to the renovation of the first floor. As additional improvements are made, this treaty shall be modified to account for those improvements and/or changes. This tax treaty is for the property occupying Plat 29, Lot 359 based on the assumption that significant rehabilitation has occurred on the ground floor of the building and the second and third floors have not been used or rehabilitated and will be in the second and third phases of the project. When the remainder of the building is rehabilitated, the treaty will be modified to incorporate those improvements. The improvements must meet the criteria for a tax stabilization under the ordinance for the City of Providence. In the event any of this information is inaccurate or proves to be erroneous, this treaty shall be modified to reflect the accurate information.

*Section 6.* That the real property taxes and tangible property taxes payable to the City by the Project during the term of this Ordinance

shall be based upon the real property tax rates in effect for the City's 1999 fiscal year. This treaty is conditioned upon 244 Broad Street, LLC owing no back taxes to the City of Providence or remaining current on a payment plan approved by the Tax Collector. Failure to make said timely payments may render this treaty null and void at the sole discretion of the City of Providence. The treaty being rendered null and void would require the owner to pay all taxes and fees as due and owing as if no treaty had been approved.

*Section 7.* That the City in accordance with Section 44-3-3.1 and Section 44-3-9 of the Rhode Island General Laws hereby grants an exemption from taxation of real property to 244 Broad Street, LLC for the real property located at 242-248 Broad Street, Providence, Rhode Island, Assessor's Plat 29, Lot 359, and the personal property located at said location which is used exclusively for and in connection with the operations of 244 Broad Street, LLC at said location, in accordance with the schedules listed in Exhibit A, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

*Section 8.* This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

**Read and Passed the Second Time, on motion of COUNCILMAN ALLEN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, by the following Roll Call Vote:**

**Ayes:** Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Allen, Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Councilwoman DiRuzzo, Councilmen Hassett, Igliozi, Jackson, Mancini, Councilwomen Nolan, Romano and Williams—13.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent:** Councilman Clarkin and Councilwoman Young—2.

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

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## PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE

**COUNCILMAN ALLEN and COUNCILMAN APONTE (By Request):**

An Ordinance in amendment of and in addition to Chapter 1977-5 of the Ordinance of the City of Providence approved February 14,

1977 and entitled, "An Ordinance approving and adopting the Official Redevelopment Plan for Downtown Providence Renewal" for the acquisition of Lot 174 and a portion of Lot 171 on Plat 25, as amended.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN moves to dispense with the reading of the foregoing Ordinance.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Ordinance to the Committee on

Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

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## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the submission of projects to the Planning Division of the Rhode Island Department of Administration for inclusion in the Rhode Island Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Urban Redevelopment, Renewal and Planning.

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

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COUNCILMAN ALLEN (By Request):

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Anthony Avenue from the intersection with Noyes Street to the intersection of Homestead Avenue and Anthony Avenue on Sunday, May 7, 2000, between the hours of 10:00

o'clock a.m. to 7:30 o'clock p.m., to accommodate the Anthony's Church of God festivity.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Anthony Avenue from the intersection with Noyes Street to the intersection of Homestead Avenue and Anthony Avenue on Sunday, May 7, 2000, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. to 7:30 o'clock p.m., to accommodate the Anthony's Church of God festivity.

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COUNCILMAN APONTE, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILMAN ALLEN and COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS:

Resolution Requesting the Commissioner of Public Safety, along with the Attorney General of the State of Rhode Island (in an advisory capacity), to promulgate, implement and enforce procedures and protocols for the collection, transfer, storage of any evidence obtained from video surveillance cameras in

police vehicles or video surveillance cameras set in fixed locations by the Police Department for the purpose of gathering evidence.

*Whereas*, The City of Providence and the Providence Police Department continue to strive for better and greater public confidence in our Police Department and its activities;

*Whereas*, The innovations of new technology while presenting administrative and procedural challenges to the department continue to enhance and change the way police officers perform their duties and;

*Whereas*, The Commissioner of Public Safety in Section 1001 § (A) Item 2 of the Providence Home Rule Charter is charged with and responsible for the enforcement of all laws and ordinances and the promulgation and enforcement of the rules and regulations of the Providence Police Department.

*Now, therefore, be it Resolved*, That the members of the Providence City Council request that the Commissioner of Public Safety, along with the Attorney General of the State of Rhode Island (in an advisory capacity), promulgate, implement and enforce procedures and protocols for the collection, transfer and storage of any evidence obtained from video surveillance cameras in police vehicles or video surveillance cameras set in fixed locations by the Police Department for the purpose of gathering evidence.

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**COUNCILMAN CLARKIN (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to

prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Trenton Street from Ives Street to Gano Street on Sunday, July 23, 2000, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. to 3:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate the Portuguese Sporting Club Festival.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Trenton Street from Ives Street to Gano Street on Sunday, July 23, 2000, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. to 6:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate the Portuguese Sporting Club Festival.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along East Manning Street between Governor Street to Ives Street, on Saturday, May 27, 2000, between the hours of 1:00 o'clock p.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate a Neighborhood Block Party.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along East Manning Street between Governor Street to Ives Street, on Saturday, May 27, 2000, between the hours of 1:00 o'clock p.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate a Neighborhood Block Party.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Roger Street from Williams Street to Power Street on Saturday, June 17, 2000, between the hours of 4:00 o'clock p.m. to 12:00 o'clock Midnight, to accommodate two birthday parties.



*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Roger Street from Williams Street to Power Street on Saturday, June 17, 2000, between the hours of 4:00 o'clock p.m. to 12:00 o'clock Midnight, to accommodate two birthday parties.

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**COUNCILMAN CLARKIN:**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the curb at the corner of Sheldon Street and Hope Street to be painted yellow.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the curb at the corner of Sheldon Street and Hope Street to be painted yellow.

COUNCILMAN ALLEN moves to dispense with the reading of the foregoing matters.

Collectively *Passed*, on motion of COUNCILMAN ALLEN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

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**COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to study the feasibility of designating Sterling Avenue a one-way from Laurel Hill Avenue to Webster Avenue.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Public Works.**

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

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**COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO:**

Resolution Requesting the Director of Public Works to cause the cleaning of catch basins along Union Avenue from Terrace Avenue to Messer Street.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the cleaning of catch basins along Union Avenue from Terrace Avenue to Messer Street.

Read and Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ALLEN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.

The motion for Passage is Sustained.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to study the feasibility of designating Bowdoin Street a one-way between Appleton Street and Atwells Avenue and to determine the direction of the flow of traffic.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI Refers the Resolution to the Committee on Public Works.**

The motion to Refer is Sustained.

Resolution Requesting the Director of Code Enforcement to cause the inspection of all properties along Whitehall Street from Union Avenue to Sterling Avenue.

*Resolved*, That the Director of Code Enforcement is requested to cause the inspection of all properties along Whitehall Street from Union Avenue to Sterling Avenue.

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**COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO and COUNCILMAN DeLUCA (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to cause the upgrade of street lighting along Manton Avenue from Olneyville Square to the end of Manton Avenue at the Providence/Johnston line.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to cause the upgrade of street lighting along Manton Avenue from Olneyville Square to the end of Manton Avenue at the Providence/Johnston line.

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**COUNCILMAN HASSETT (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along South Court, between Benefit Street and Wheaton Street, on Thursday, May 18, 2000 and Friday, May 19, 2000, between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a.m. to 5:00 o'clock p.m., for the Rhode Island School of Design Annual Event by Professor John Udvardy Foundation Studies.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along South Court, between Benefit Street and Wheaton Street, on Thursday, May 18, 2000 and Friday, May 19, 2000, between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a.m. to 5:00 o'clock p.m., for the Rhode Island School of Design Annual Event by Professor John Udvardy Foundation Studies.

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**COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Ralph Street from Eastwood Avenue to Plainfield Street, on Sunday, May 28, 2000, between the hours of 1:00 o'clock p.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m. to accommodate a birthday party.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Ralph Street from Eastwood Avenue to Plainfield Street, on Sunday, May 28, 2000, between the hours of 1:00 o'clock p.m. to 7:00 o'clock p.m. to accommodate a birthday party.

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**COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Congress Avenue from Niagara Street to Broad Street on Saturday, May 13, 2000, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. and 7:00 o'clock p.m. to accommodate a street fair.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along

Congress Avenue from Niagara Street to Broad Street on Saturday, May 13, 2000, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. and 7:00 o'clock p.m. to accommodate a street fair.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to cause the installation of "slow children" signs along Lenox Avenue.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to cause the installation of "slow children" signs along Lenox Avenue.

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Resolution Requesting the Chief Electrical Inspector to cause the installation of street lights along Price Street.

*Resolved*, That the Chief Electrical Inspector is requested to cause the installation of street lights along Price Street.

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**COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Boylston Avenue between Montague Street and Olney Street on Sunday, June 4, 2000, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. to 6:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate a Neighborhood Block Party.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Boylston Avenue between Montague Street and

Olney Street on Sunday, June 4, 2000, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. to 6:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate a Neighborhood Block Party.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Freeman Parkway from Morris Avenue to Taber Avenue; along Olney Street from Morris Avenue to Arlington Avenue; along Arlington Avenue from Freeman Parkway to Olney Street and along Hazard Avenue from Morris Avenue to Taber Avenue, on Friday, June 9, 2000 and Saturday, June 10, 2000, between the hours of 5:30 o'clock p.m. to 10:30 o'clock p.m., to accommodate the Festival of Historical Houses.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Freeman Parkway from Morris Avenue to Taber Avenue; along Olney Street from Morris Avenue to Arlington Avenue; along Arlington Avenue from Freeman Parkway to Olney Street and along Hazard Avenue from Morris Avenue to Taber Avenue, on Friday, June 9, 2000 and Saturday, June 10, 2000, between the hours of 5:30 o'clock p.m. to 10:30 o'clock p.m., to accommodate the Festival of Historical Houses.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Meeting Street from Thayer Street and Brook Street on Friday, May 5, 2000, between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a.m. to 5:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate a Customer Appreciation Day.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Meeting Street from Thayer Street and Brook Street on Friday, May 5, 2000, between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a.m. to 5:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate a Customer Appreciation Day.

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Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Barnes Street from Brown Street to Prospect Street, on Thursday, May 25, 2000, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock p.m. to 6:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate Brown University Graduation.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Barnes Street from Brown Street to Prospect Street, on Thursday, May 25, 2000, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock p.m. to 6:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate Brown University Graduation.

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**COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG (By Request):**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Block Street from Princeton Avenue and Broad Street to Princeton Avenue and Updike Street, on Tuesday, May 9, 2000, between the hours of 6:00 o'clock p.m. to 9:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate a Neighborhood Block Party for the Princeton Avenue Residents Association.

*Resolved*, That the Traffic Engineer is requested to prohibit motor vehicle traffic along Block Street from Princeton Avenue and Broad

Street to Princeton Avenue and Updike Street, on Tuesday, May 9, 2000, between the hours of 6:00 o'clock p.m. to 9:00 o'clock p.m., to accommodate a Neighborhood Block Party for the Princeton Avenue Residents Association.

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**COUNCILWOMAN YOUNG, COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI, COUNCILMAN ALLEN, COUNCILMAN APONTE, COUNCILMAN BUTLER, COUNCILMAN CLARKIN, COUNCILMAN DeLUCA, COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO, COUNCILMAN HASSETT, COUNCILMAN IGLIOZZI, COUNCILMAN JACKSON, COUNCILMAN MANCINI, COUNCILWOMAN NOLAN, COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO, COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS:**

Resolution Extending Sincere Congratulations to Nicole R. Clement upon her graduation from Duke University Law School.

*Resolved*, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby extend their Sincere Congratulations to Nicole F. Clement upon her graduation from Duke University Law School.

**COUNCILMAN ALLEN moves to dispense with the reading of the foregoing matters.**

**Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ALLEN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.**

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from Samuel J. Shamoon, Secretary, Providence Redevelopment Agency, dated April 28, 2000, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council the particulars of the intended transfer of the property located on Gordon Avenue, Potters Avenue and Baxter Street that will be the site of the new Gordon Avenue School Complex.

**Received.**

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Communication from Kristin Marie Ward, dated April 27, 2000, requesting an extension of the Residency Requirement.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI  
Receives the Communication and Refers  
the same to the Committee on Finance.**

**The motion to Receive and Refer is  
Sustained.**

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## FROM THE CLERK'S DESK

Petition of Michael G. Minor, Vice President Spectrum Coatings, 217 Chapman Street, Providence, Rhode Island, seeking an easement along Chapman Street.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI  
Refers the Petition to the Committee on  
Public Works.**

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

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**Petitions for Compensation for Injuries  
and Damages, viz:**  
Thomas Rolin

Brenda Pimental

Dustin Pari (James V. Burchfield, Esquire)

EMC Insurance a/s/o Stewart Construction  
Co., Inc.

May C. Wakim

Apideth Vongratsamy

Geico Direct a/s/o Ruth Colon

Andrea Gold (Henry J. Almagno, Esquire)

Barry Cohen (Dennis E. Carley, Esquire)

David Papazian

Susan E. Hurley

Linda Motamed

Robert A. Ascioia

Dennis DosSantos

Liberty Mutual a/s/o William Cline

Kelly Lang (Kris Macaruso Marotti, Esquire)

Marisa Barone p.p.a. Lucio Barone (David C. Moretti, Esquire)

Vivian Morgan (Charles J. Vucci, Esquire)

Lesa A. Cerullo (Henry S. Monti, Esquire)

Cheryl E. Casey

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI  
Severally Refers the Petitions to the  
Committee on Claims and Pending Suits.**

**The motion to Refer is Sustained.**

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## PRESENTATION OF CITATIONS

*“In Congratulations”*

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and  
the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

Citations Extending Congratulations.

*Resolved*, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere congratulations to the following:

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Farrell, in recognition of the celebration of their 20th Wedding Anniversary on May 17, 2000.

Reverend Matthew F. Morry, O.P., in recognition of the occasion of his Golden

Jubilee of his ordination to the Priesthood.

Anthony R. Leone, Ph.D., in recognition of retiring as President of the Board of Governors of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Providence.

New Force Steppers Drill Team 2000, in recognition of their “Second Annual Flash Your Talent” Fundraiser.

Robert and Karen McHenry, in recognition of the celebration on the birth of their son, James Joseph McHenry.

Mr. and Mrs. Kohanski, in recognition of the celebration of their 59th Wedding Anniversary.

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, on motion of COUNCILMAN ALLEN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.**

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS

*“In Memorium”*

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI and the MEMBERS of the CITY COUNCIL:**

Resolutions Extending Sympathy.

*Resolved*, That the Members of the City Council extend their sincere sympathy to the families of the following:

Rt. Reverend George C. Harris

Anthony F. Varone

Alfred F. Mello, Jr.

Elizabeth A. Hill

Clare A. McKinnon

Angelo Cleani

Kevin R. Clarkin

Alfred A. DeCiantis

Robert W. Burley

Nancy McMahon

Peter J. Petrarca, Jr.

Irving Gross

**Severally Read and Collectively Passed, by a Unanimous Rising Vote, on motion of COUNCILMAN ALLEN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS.**

**The motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## PERSONAL EXPRESSION

**COUNCILWOMAN ROMANO** requests the privilege of the floor to speak on a point of personal expression and states:

"I think that my colleagues should know that the neighborhood was assured there would be no strip club in the North End. We have been assured that there will be no strip club on Charles Street."

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI**  
relinquishes the Chair to **COUNCILWOMAN**  
**JOSEPHINE DiRUZZO**, Senior Member.

## COUNCILWOMAN DiRUZZO IN THE CHAIR

## PERSONAL EXPRESSION

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI** requests the privilege of the floor to speak on a point of personal expression and states:

"In yesterday and today's papers . . . the 30/30 Club that . . . they had three shootings, one person was killed, one is still in the hospital. The infinite wisdom of the — they continue to allow this person to conduct business. About three weeks ago we had a hearing before the Zoning Board, and those who live in the

Broadway area in my ward, the Historic District . . . I had 250 signatures opposing the zoning on this. It is amazing how this continues. One of the Board members chose to cross examine an 87 year old man. The testimony of the expert of the petitioner when he was asked on cross examination, is this a hardship. The answer was no. I just don't get it. Now we are back again. The Liquor License Board. The same concerns. The same place. The liquor license is being applied for, there is an elementary school within 200 feet. A complete



bar. We are going to see what is going to happen. The system has to work in my neighborhood. Somebody has to listen. There will be the same objections. The sad part about it is each one of the 230 plus people have to retain an attorney. It was a very confident attorney. He did a tremendous job cross examining the petitioner. He did not make the case all because of... I have to thank Councilman Butler who came down and

supported me before the Board. I want to thank him publicly. It certainly means a lot to me. The system can't be applied arbitrarily. It has to be applied the same. The same rules, the same laws, the same audience. We need to do this. So Councilwoman, it worked in your ward, it is not working for my constituents. Thank you."

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## COUNCIL PRESIDENT LOMBARDI IN THE CHAIR

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of COUNCILMAN ALLEN, seconded by COUNCILWOMAN WILLIAMS, it is voted to adjourn at 8:05 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.) to meet again on THURSDAY, JUNE 1, 2000 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. (E.D.T.).

*Michael R. Clement*

City Clerk

