

CITY OF CRANSTON



RHODE ISLAND

EDWARD D. DIPRETE
MAYOR

April 21, 1983

The Honorable City Council
City of Providence
Providence City Hall
Providence, RI 02903

IN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 2 1983

READ:
WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE RECEIVED.

Robert M. Menlowe CLERK

Re: Coalition of Coastal Communities

Dear Council Members:

As Mayor of Cranston, I am well aware of the difficult fiscal times local officials face today. Cost effective provision of municipal services is a universal mandate for all local government managers. For this reason I am appealing to you on behalf of the Rhode Island Coalition of Coastal Communities to solicit your support for this important regional council of local governments.

Undertaking the many services provided by the Coalition staff under the capable direction of its Director, Brian Knowles, would be cost prohibitive for many individual cities or towns. Collectively, however, members of the Coalition are able to articulate their voice at the State and Federal levels where critical funding decisions are made. The Coalition exists to provide local governments with expert technical assistance wherever needed in matters of coastal development. It has been and continues to be a vocal advocate for local government in coastal planning and in a myriad of other issues including funding for sewer treatment plants, protection of undeveloped barrier beaches, and development impacts from off-shore drilling, to name just a few.

I have personally worked with the Coalition staff and as an active member on its Executive Board, can highly recommend membership in the Coalition to you and your community. Please feel free to contact my office on this matter or better still, call Brian Knowles at 273-6880 to discuss your community's membership. I think you will agree the Coalition is a valuable resource for all of us.

Sincerely,

Edward D. DiPrete

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Mayor