

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 473

Approved August 22, 1997

WHEREAS, Both the City and State are considering the development of the Providence Place Shopping Mall to be located in the Capital Center.

WHEREAS, Providence Place Group (PPG) is proposing to construct and develop a super-regional shopping mall with at least 900,000 square feet of retail space to include two prominent anchor stores.

WHEREAS, This project's impact after construction, will generate at least 2,800 jobs, with a substantial number of these employees being employed in full and part time retail positions.

WHEREAS, The City of Providence should benefit substantially from employment recruitment and initiatives at Providence Place Shopping Mall, and initiate an agreement with Providence Place Group and the City of Providence to establish a "Providence Retail Job Training Program" in conjunction with services to be provided by Johnson and Wales University, External Affairs and Contract Training Office and the Center for Fashion Merchandising and Retail Studies.

WHEREAS, This "program" could be implemented by establishing a Providence based High School level "clearing house" of students who will be trained and prepared in the retail market through the Providence School Department's Career Vocational Office and Johnson and Wales University.

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Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution

Claire Bestwick
July 28, 1997 Clerk

Councilman Fglings

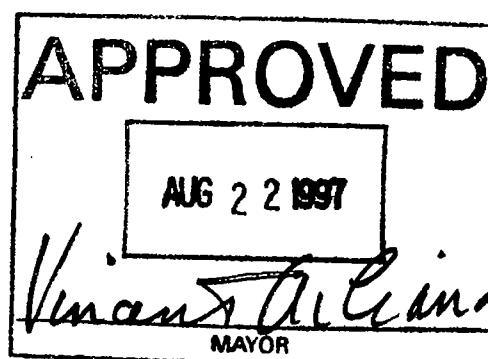
WHEREAS, Providence students and residents seeking employment at the Providence Place Mall, and who have successfully completed the job training program, be given preference in securing permanent jobs at the Mall.

WHEREAS, All parties responsible for the construction, development and hiring at the Mall should undertake their best efforts to select prepared and responsible candidates from this Providence program and continue to work with and promote our High School students and residents of Providence in the necessary development and re-vitalization of our City's economy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That in order to put this plan into effect, this Resolution and its form and substance should be signed, agreed to and executed by all parties involved: The Mayor of the City of Providence, the Pyramid Companies, Johnson and Wales University and the Providence School Department.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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READ AND PASSED

Evelyn V. Fargnoli
PRES.
Jan M. Chasler
CLERK



VINCENT A. CIANCI, JR.
Mayor

ARTHUR M. ZARRELLA, PED. D.
Superintendent

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Schools
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Office of the Superintendent

September 2, 1997


Mr. Michael Clement
City Clerk
Providence City Hall
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Mr. Clement:

On August 29, 1997, I received a copy of City Council Resolution 473 approved August 22, 1997. Resolution 473 calls for the establishment of a Providence retail job training program at the Providence Place Mall. Would you please make members of the City Council aware of the fact that I have been discussing with Mr. William Collins the possibility of establishing a high school program at the mall. Mr. Collins had recommended that I not take any action until arrangements for the construction of the mall were completed and actual demolition and construction were under way.

Consequently, I am pleased to see that members of the City Council also see the value of a high school program at the mall. Please advise council members that I will incorporate the desires expressed in the resolution with my plans for a high school program and begin the appropriate conversations to see if such a program can become a reality.

Sincerely,


Arthur M. Zarrella, Ped.D.
Superintendent of Schools

AMZ:mdm

cc: Mr. Roosevelt Benton
Mr. Mark Dunham
Mr. Joseph Renzulli
Mr. Rick Wilson
Mr. Paul Vorro