

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 508

*Approved* October 20, 1992

WHEREAS, The Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980 provides that every ten years, a Commission be formed to examine and to update the City Charter, and

WHEREAS, This year, an outstanding group of Citizens spent many hours reading, reviewing and debating the 1980 Charter, and

WHEREAS, This group was Chaired by John Martinelli who had previously distinguished himself in service to the City as the Attorney for the Providence Water Supply Board and former Associate Justice of the Housing Court, and

WHEREAS, Another distinguished and able Attorney, Sally Dowling, served as the Commissions Vice-Chairwoman, and

WHEREAS, Rose Mendonca, the former City Clerk of the City of Providence lent her vast experience in City Government to the Commission and served as its Secretary, and

WHEREAS, Ronald Allen, an enthusiastic and long-time community activist from the West End of Providence served as the Commissions Treasurer, and

WHEREAS, Businessman Angelo Aiello brought his expertise to the Commission and served with great care and dedication, and

WHEREAS, Two members of the original Home Rule Charter Commission have continued to display a capacity to work tirelessly for the public benefit by their works in the intervening ten years and their service on this Commission; Evelyn Fagnoli now serves as Councilwoman from the Fifth Ward and President Pro Tempore of the City Council, and Charles Mansolillo, who has served as a Member of the City Council, the Rhode Island House of Representatives, the Mayor's Chief of Staff and now serves as City Solicitor, and

WHEREAS, Two other Council Members, Balbina Young from the Eleventh Ward and David Dillon from the Eighth Ward were elected by their peers to serve on the Commission, and

WHEREAS, The Commission reached out to all members of the government and the community, sought their input, debated and deliberated over their many suggestions and produced a report of their findings and suggestions for proposed amendments to the City Council, and

WHEREAS, The Commission members also attended many meetings and hearings after the completion of their report as the matters were considered in City Council,

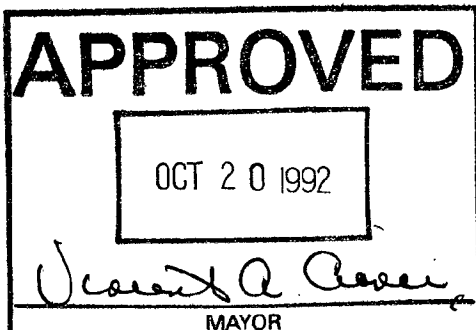
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That on behalf of the People of Providence, the members of the City Council do extend to the Members of the Charter Review Commission sincere thanks for a job well done, as well as best wishes for continued good fortune.

IN CITY COUNCIL

OCT 15 1992

READ AND PASSED

*James H. Martinelli*  
PRES.  
*Richard L. Clement*  
CLERK



Alfred W. Allen and Members of the City Council