

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 591

Approved December 13, 1988

WHEREAS, Cheryl M. Fisher of 146 Waldo Street, a teacher of Grades Four and Five at Gilbert Stuart School has been named Teacher of the Year for the City of Providence, and

WHEREAS, society's need for good educators as well as good education, and the need for role models for minority students, motivated Cheryl Fisher to enter the teaching profession. In her fifteen years of service to the students of Providence she has sought to give the same knowledge and guidance to her students that she received from the best of her teachers, and

WHEREAS, Cheryl Fisher has been cited by her colleagues and by the School Board for developing an innovative program in nonviolent Conflict Resolution, her creative use of drama in the classroom, and her ability to tie a number of lessons and learning experiences around a central theme, and

WHEREAS, Miss Fisher's students have performed a play each year during Black History Week. When Rosa Parks, whose refusal to sit in the back of the bus began the civil rights movement visited Providence in 1985, Miss Fisher was able to gather her students together despite the fact that school was out for the summer. They put on a performance of "It Happened in Montgomery" which delighted Miss Parks and all who attended,

WHEREAS, Cheryl Fisher's service to others does not end when school lets out. She has coordinated a Clothing Bank at Gilbert Stuart School in conjunction with the Providence Gas Company, as well as a program wherein the senior citizens of the St. Martin de Porres Center knit over nine hundred hats for the students of Gilbert Stuart School, and

WHEREAS, the best testament to Cheryl Fisher's abilities as a teacher is the sense of caring she imparts to her students. Her students wrote to express sympathy after the Challenger disaster, and through a program called "Children Helping Children", raised over \$1,500 for famine relief in Ethiopia,

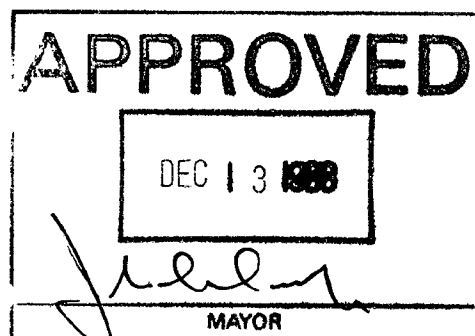
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Members of the City Council do join with the family, friends and neighbors of Cheryl Fisher as well as the Gilbert Stuart School community in congratulating her on being named "Teacher of the Year" for the City of Providence, and expressing best wishes for continued success in the state and national competitions.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
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READ AND PASSED

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CLERK



Councilman Dillon and Councilman O'Connor