

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 358

Approved July 24, 2019

WHEREAS, Councilman Miguel C. Luna was born in San Pedro de Macoris, Dominican Republic and moved to Rhode Island in 1984; and

WHEREAS, Councilman Luna was a longtime and beloved resident of the Elmwood neighborhood who became involved with numerous local social justice efforts and community organizations, including Amos House, the International Institute, Jobs with Justice, the San Miguel School, and the Center for Minority Advancement in Building Trades; and

WHEREAS, In 1986, Luna was part of a group of Providence residents who founded Direct Action for Rights and Equality (DARE), a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting justice and creating lasting positive change in our community; and

WHEREAS, In 2002, Luna was elected to the Providence City Council representing Ward Nine, becoming just the second Latino to be elected in the Council's history; and

WHEREAS, In more than eight years as a member of the City Council, Luna earned a reputation as a consummate public servant and a strong advocate for the people of Providence's South Side; and

WHEREAS, Luna was instrumental in the creation of the Providence External Review Authority (PERA), the first ever civilian police review board in Providence; and

WHEREAS, Councilman Luna was outspoken on numerous issues, including affordable housing, government transparency, economic development, and racial discrimination; and

WHEREAS, On August 18, 2011, Councilman Miguel Luna tragically passed away at the age of 53 from a heart attack; and

WHEREAS, Renaming Warrington Street in Councilman Luna's memory is a fitting and additional tribute that will ensure his many contributions to the city he loved will not be forgotten.

WHEREAS, It is a fitting tribute to the life and service of Councilman Luna to name Warrington Street in the Elmwood neighborhood in his memory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby honor the life, work, and legacy of Councilman Miguel Luna by naming Warrington Street, "Councilman Miguel C. Luna Way."

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the family of Councilman Luna.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUL 18 2019

READ AND PASSED

PRES.

CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

Mayor
Date: 7/24/19