

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 23

Approved January 21, 2011

WHEREAS, During the Organizational Meeting of the City Council on Monday, January 3, 2011 a speaker and its stand fell in the Council Chambers and injured the two young children of Councilwoman Sabina Matos; and

WHEREAS, Conflicting reports of the accident have made it difficult to determine what caused the speaker to fall; and

WHEREAS, Safety in the City's buildings, especially public meeting spaces is of the utmost concern and importance; and

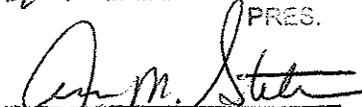
WHEREAS, Ascertaining the cause of the accident will help the City to make necessary changes in order to protect the health and safety of all who attend public events.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby instruct the City Clerk and the Director of Public Property to report to the Council all information known to their offices regarding the accident involving the speaker; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That any necessary modifications regarding seating, equipment, and protocol during ceremonies, special events, and large meetings in the Council Chambers be immediately implemented and codified in a policy and procedure document within the City Clerk's office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That guidelines regarding equipment and protocol for members of the media be included in such policy and procedure document.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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READ AND PASSED


PRES.

CLERK

APPROVED


MAYOR

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