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January 31, 2008

Ms. Anna M. Stetson
City Clerk
City Clerk's Department
City Hall
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Ms. Stetson:

I hereby re-appoint Mr. John Hearn, 60 Callan Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, to the Providence External Review Authority for a three year term to expire on January 31, 2011.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Michael A. Solomon ^{Cms}
Councilman – Ward 5

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IN CITY COUNCIL

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City of Providence, Rhode Island

January 29, 2008

Ms. Anna Stetson
City Clerk
City Providence
25 Dorrance Street
Providence, RI 02903

Hand-Delivered

Dear Madam Clerk:

I am writing to inform you that, in accordance with Resolution 45, approved by the City Council on January 17, 2008, I am today appointing three members of the public to the "Independent Review Board" to examine the City's response to the December 13, 2007 snowstorm.

The three members are:

- 1) Michael Van Leesten, 11 Belair Avenue, Providence, RI 02906
- 2) Susan DeRita, 100 Isabella Avenue, Providence, RI 02908
- 3) Philip West, 35 Stanwood Street, Providence, RI 02907

I am authorizing the first-named member, Mr. Van Leesten, to immediately call the inaugural meeting of the Board for the purpose of organization.

Sincerely,

Peter S. Mancini
Council President

PSM/yjg

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THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 45

EFFECTIVE ~~APPROVED~~ JANUARY 28, 2008

WHEREAS, As a result of a snowstorm on December 13, 2007 several departments and agencies in the City of Providence experienced significant failures in providing necessary city services; and

WHEREAS, Those significant failures centered around lapses and failures in communications; and

WHEREAS, As a result of those significant failures the well being and safety of many of the city's most vulnerable citizens were placed in peril; and

WHEREAS, As a result of those significant failures the public confidence in the city's ability to provide basic services in times of challenge has been greatly diminished; and

WHEREAS, It is in the public interest of the City of Providence to engage an independent review and examination of the failures in order to provide guidance and actionable policy recommendation; and

WHEREAS, The Members of the City Council wish to ensure that these failures never occur again.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That there shall be established a three person review board (hereinafter named the "Independent Review Board") to conduct an independent outside review relative to the snowstorm of December 13, 2007. The President of the Providence City Council shall appoint the three members of the Board who shall reflect the diversity of the city. The members of the Independent Review Board shall not be current employees of the City and will not be compensated. If necessary, the Board shall have access to no more than Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) Dollars to hire experts and reimburse for expenses.