

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 20

Approved January 21, 1980

WHEREAS, United States Ship Building is deteriorating to a point where grave concern is now expressed about the economic and security consequences of a nation whose maritime industry is sinking, and

WHEREAS, While Ship Building is booming, particularly in Southeast Asia and Developing Nations, most of the fifteen major United States Ship Builders are hurting by foreign low cost labor and tax shelters, while thousands of Americans in the Ship Building industry are being laid-off and put on the unemployment roles,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That this United States Congress should chart a new route to recover world supremacy of the high seas through Ship Building.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
JAN 17 1980  
READ AND PASSED

*Ralph LaRocca*  
PRES.  
*Rose Mendonca*  
CLERK

APPROVED

MAYOR

*Vicente Cianci, Jr.*

JAN 21 1980

Councilman Morse

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OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK  
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January 30, 1980

Honorable Edward P. Beard  
307 Post Office Annex  
Providence, RI 02903

Dear Congressman Beard,

I am transmitting accompanying Resolution No. 20,  
having been submitted to the City Council by Councilman  
William J. Moise and approved by His Honor the Mayor on  
January 21, 1980, for your review.

Very truly yours,

Rose M. Mendonca,  
City Clerk.

RMM/jma

January 30, 1980

Honorable Fernand J. St. Germain  
200 John E. Fogarty Federal Building  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Congressman St. Germain,

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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D.C. 20515**

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March 4, 1980

Ms. Rose M. Mendonca  
City Clerk  
City Hall  
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

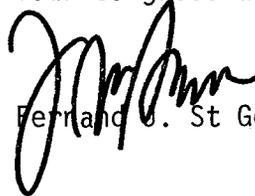
Dear Ms. Mendonca:

Thank you for expressing to me your concern in regards to the United States shipbuilding industry.

I must agree with you that America's merchant fleet is in a deplorable state and therefore it is of utmost importance to encourage the building and operation of U.S. flag ships. A strong ship building industry - thus a strong U.S. based merchant marine fleet - is indispensable to a strong U.S. defense structure as well as to our Nation's economy. I have always been a strong supporter of maritime legislation proposed to encourage the building and operation of U.S. flag ships in order to strengthen our domestic fleet so that we may compete with foreign fleets. You will be interested to know that I supported the Maritime Appropriations Authorization Act for FY80 which was passed into law on November 19, 1979 appropriating \$101 million to the construction-differential subsidy program. I am anxiously awaiting committee approval and subsequent floor debate of two maritime bills that are currently pending in the House Merchant Marine and Fisheries Committee. H.R. 4769 proposes to revitalize maritime policy, to reorganize certain government agencies, and to reform regulation of maritime affairs in the United States. H.R. 5145 proposes to promote competitive U.S. flag bulk carrying vessels in world trade, and to stimulate construction of modern bulk cargo carrying vessels for domestic and foreign trade built in shipyards of the United States. You can be assured of my full support when these bills reach the House floor.

Please feel free to continue to keep me informed on the issues that concern you.

Your Congressman,



Fernand J. St Germain

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Councilman Morse*