

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

*No. 321*

Approved July 9, 2025

RESOLVED, that the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere  
Congratulations to the following:

Sneaker Prowess, LLC, in recognition of the Grand Opening of your second store and your first location here in Providence. Your continued growth is a testament to your entrepreneurial spirit, dedication to community-based commerce and passion for sneaker and streetwear culture. Sneaker Prowess has not only contributed to the local economy but has also created a space that reflects the creativity and individuality of our Providence residents. As you expand your presence in Providence, we celebrate your success and look forward to your continued positive impact on our neighborhoods and small business community.

Isabella Jasmin Santana, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Boston University with a Bachelor of Arts History Degree.

Tiffanie Isabel Pichardo, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Rhode Island College with a Bachelor of Science, Business Management Degree.

Emilio E. Pichardo, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Classical High School.

Zora Newman Greene, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Classical High School.

Yvonne Hernandez, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Classical High School.

Noah Benzant, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Classical High School.

Adrianna A. Cornelio, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Central High School.

Janet Batista, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from Charrette High School.

Mayor General, Ramon Antonio Guzman, en reconocimiento de el excelente trabajo desempeñado bajo su liderazgo en la Policía Nacional de la República Dominicana. Su compromiso con el orden público, seguridad y protección de los ciudadanos ha sido ejemplar, reflejando una gestión eficiente y dedicada que inspira confianza y respeto. Valoramos el esfuerzo constante que usted y su equipo realizan para mantener la paz y justicia en su país, lo cual contribuye significativamente al bienestar social y el fortalecimiento institucional.

General Pascual Cruz Méndez, Director General de la Digesett, en reconocimiento de el excelente trabajo desempeñado bajo su liderazgo en la Policía Nacional de la República Dominicana. Su compromiso con el orden público, seguridad y protección de los ciudadanos ha sido ejemplar, reflejando una gestión eficiente y dedicada que inspira confianza y respeto. Valoramos el esfuerzo constante que usted y su equipo realizan para mantener la paz y justicia en su país, lo cual contribuye significativamente al bienestar social y el fortalecimiento institucional.

Coronel Catano Martínez, Director de Cooperación y Relaciones de la Policía, en reconocimiento de el excelente trabajo desempeñado bajo su liderazgo en la Policía Nacional de la República Dominicana. Su compromiso con el orden público, seguridad y protección de los ciudadanos ha sido ejemplar, reflejando una gestión eficiente y dedicada que inspira confianza y respeto. Valoramos el esfuerzo constante que usted y su equipo realizan para mantener la paz y justicia en su país, lo cual contribuye significativamente al bienestar social y el fortalecimiento institucional.

Lic. Noris Santana Badia, en reconocimiento de sus meritorios aportes a la obra social humanitaria a través de los medios de comunicación en la República Dominicana.

Lic. Luciano Jose Moreta, en reconocimiento de su valiosa contribución en la promoción de incentivos para la inversión extranjera en la República Dominicana.

Lic. Elordia Tavares, en reconocimiento de su valiosa contribución a la promoción internacional de la artesanía industrial de la República Dominicana.

Dr. Teofilo Pichardo, en reconocimiento de sus aportes a la alta Educación Académica en la República Dominicana.

Dr. Sergio Solis Taveras, en reconocimiento de: sus aportes al gremiales médico profesional en la República Dominicana.

Dr. Domingo Peña Ninam, en reconocimiento de sus aportes a la investigación médica científica en la República Dominicana.

Lic. Jose Alberto Israel en reconocimiento de: sus aportes y valiosa contribución a la protección del Medio Ambiente en la República Dominicana.

Lisa Vargas-Sinapi, Principal, George J. West Elementary School, in recognition of your outstanding leadership, dedication, and service to the students, staff, and families of George J. West Elementary as Principal. Your unwavering commitment to education, your compassion, and your tireless efforts have left a lasting impact on the school community. As you retire, we extend our deepest gratitude and appreciation for your many years of service, and we wish you continued happiness and fulfillment in this next chapter of life.

Bernie Arguetta-Sotto, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Emily Bolanos, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Lizbeth Chingo-Hernandez, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Alexia Cruz, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Yandel Francisco Vilchez, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Sandrine Gaju, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Eduardo Mejia, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Brandon Mendez, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Luis Padilla, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Wanel Rosario, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Jazelle Santiago, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Michael Vasquez-Lopez, in recognition of the celebration of your graduation from the Providence Fire Department CTE Program.

Lightning Fix, in recognition of the Grand Opening of your storefront in the Mount Pleasant neighborhood of Providence. Your continued growth is a testament to your entrepreneurial spirit and dedication to community-based commerce. Lightning Fix is not only contributing to the local economy but is also meeting the needs of our Providence residents. As you expand your presence in Providence, we celebrate your success and look forward to your continued positive impact on our neighborhoods and small business community.

Harrison “Jon Hope” Grigsby, in recognition of your powerful voice, artistry, and advocacy. Your commitment to music and building community through hip hop and education uplifts our city. Thank you for using your platform to inspire, lead and reflect the spirit of Providence.

Carlton Howard, in recognition of your transformative work in education and social impact. Your vision, leadership, and tireless efforts to advance equity have created lasting change. We thank you for being a beacon of hope and innovation for students, educators, and communities across our city and beyond.

Ian Travis Barnard, in recognition of your cultural leadership and lifelong contributions to hip hop, arts, and community empowerment. Your dedication to youth, creativity, and movement-building has helped shape the identity of Providence. Thank you for all you do to uplift and inspire.

Cha Chi Hip Hop, in recognition of your cultural leadership and lifelong contributions to hip hop, arts, and community empowerment. Your dedication to youth, creativity, and movement-building has helped shape the identity of Providence. Thank you for all you do to uplift and inspire.

Victor “Sound” Baez, in recognition of your artistry, podcast and cultural excellence. Your work puts Providence on the map, supporting countless artists and strengthening our creative community. Your dedication is a vital part of our city’s cultural heartbeat.

Rafael Medina, in recognition of your dynamic contributions to visual art and community engagement. Your work brings vibrancy and meaning to public spaces and reflects the diverse stories of Providence. Thank you for using your creativity to build a more expressive, inclusive, and beautiful city.

Poe George, Operations Manager, Downtown Improvement District, in recognition of your outstanding dedication and contributions to the Downtown Improvement District. Your work has made a lasting impact on our city’s vitality and serves as an inspiration to all who care about building a stronger, more vibrant Providence for everyone.

Ryan Terio, Team Lead, Safety Team, Downtown Improvement District, in recognition of your outstanding dedication and contributions to the Downtown Improvement District. Your work has made a lasting impact on our city's vitality and serves as an inspiration to all who care about building a stronger, more vibrant Providence for everyone.

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Devin Donlon, Clean Team, Downtown Improvement District, in recognition of your outstanding dedication and contributions to the Downtown Improvement District. Your work has made a lasting impact on our city's vitality and serves as an inspiration to all who care about building a stronger, more vibrant Providence for everyone.

Christopher Valle, Clean Team, Downtown Improvement District, in recognition of your outstanding dedication and contributions to the Downtown Improvement District. Your work has made a lasting impact on our city's vitality and serves as an inspiration to all who care about building a stronger, more vibrant Providence for everyone.

Dr. Elizabeth Gomes Teixeira, in recognition of your unwavering dedication, compassionate service, and lasting impact on the health of the Cape Verdean community in Rhode Island and beyond.

Santo Antão United, in recognition of your tireless work to preserve and promote Cape Verdean culture, traditions, and heritage.

Elizabeth Moreira, in recognition of your outstanding commitment to enhancing the lives of others through dedicated collaboration and meaningful community support.

Kim Alves, in recognition of your exceptional contributions to Cape Verdean music and the arts, and for promoting creative expression within the community.

James Vincent, in recognition of your service to others and your advocacy for representation, especially on behalf of underserved communities.

Valdir Cabral, in recognition of your service, empowerment, and commitment to uplifting youth through meaningful civic engagement.

Terrero Music, in recognition of your exceptional contributions to education and your role in enriching the cultural life of the Cape Verdean community.

Amilton Spencer Silva, RAÇAKATAU, LLC, in recognition of your business success and your continued efforts to promote and support the Cape Verdean community.

Jose Martins - Mocho, CABO VERDE NA TOP, in recognition of your achievements in business and your dedication to advancing and supporting the Cape Verdean community.

Carlos Costa-Rodrigues, in recognition of your lasting contributions to preserving and building the legacy of Rhode Island's Cape Verdean heritage.

Skyla Anderson, in recognition of your outstanding leadership in cultural advocacy, activism, and social justice.

Hemenway's Seafood Grill & Oyster Bar, in recognition of the celebration of the 40th Anniversary of Hemenway's Seafood Grill & Oyster Bar. Your commitment to excellence has made Hemenway's a cherished culinary landmark in our city for four remarkable decades.

Lisa Doucet-Albert, in recognition of your leadership, vision, and dedication in guiding Hemenway's Seafood Grill & Oyster Bar. For 40 years, Hemenway's Seafood Grill & Oyster Bar has served as an iconic establishment in Downtown and continues to inspire pride in our city's culinary scene.

Nick Sarazen, in recognition of your Grammy-nominated achievement and your dedication to excellence in music production. Your talent, creativity and commitment to uplifting the music scene continue to inspire artists and elevate Rhode Island's reputation as a hub for culture and innovation.

Sky Haneul Kim, in recognition of your groundbreaking achievement as James Beard Award winner for Best Chef: Northeast. Your visionary leadership, bold culinary artistry and deep commitment to cultural storytelling through food have not only elevated Gift Horse but also brought national recognition to Providence's vibrant dining scene.

Francisco Antonio Molina (Pepo), en reconocimiento de su visita a la Ciudad de Providence. Gracias por sus contribuciones y dedicación a su comunidad!

Las Guaracheras All-Female Latin Music Sextet from Colombia, in recognition of Performing Afro-Caribbean Rhythms, Salsa, as well as music from the Pacific Region of Colombia. to the City of Providence First Works Summer Concert at Roger Williams Park.

Aaron Ferro, in recognition of your support in our endeavors to amplify the voices of everyday citizens. With your assistance we are able to grow this community around common values with integrity and persistence. To make change it requires the spark of hope, the courage of action and the endurance of faith to make for a better future. You are the Hope for Providence.

Deb Busby, in recognition of your support in our endeavors to amplify the voices of everyday citizens. With your assistance we are able to grow this community around common values with integrity and persistence. To make change it requires the spark of hope, the courage of action and the endurance of faith to make for a better future. You are the Hope for Providence.

Gina O'Toole, in recognition of your support in our endeavors to amplify the voices of everyday citizens. With your assistance we are able to grow this community around common values with integrity and persistence. To make change it requires the spark of hope, the courage of action and the endurance of faith to make for a better future. You are the Hope for Providence.

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Louis Morales, in recognition of your support in our endeavors to amplify the voices of everyday citizens. With your assistance we are able to grow this community around common values with integrity and persistence. To make change it requires the spark of hope, the courage of action and the endurance of faith to make for a better future. You are the Hope for Providence.

Ben Jayne, in recognition of your outstanding contributions to music and culture as a visionary artist and producer. Your bold creativity, Rhode Island roots and commitment to pushing artistic boundaries continue to inspire a new generation. The City of Providence proudly celebrates your talent, passion and rising influence.

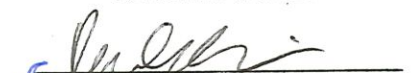

Stay Silent PVD, in recognition of revolutionizing Providence's cultural scene through innovative events, creative collaboration, and community-driven storytelling. Since 2012, your work has uplifted local artists, energized nightlife, and showcased the beauty of unapologetic authenticity. The City of Providence proudly honors your vision, impact and dedication to the culture.

Where's Nasty, in recognition of revolutionizing Providence's cultural scene through innovative events, creative collaboration, and community-driven storytelling. Since 2012, your work with Stay Silent has uplifted local artists, energized nightlife, and showcased the beauty of unapologetic authenticity. The City of Providence proudly honors your vision, impact and dedication to the culture.


DJ Bentley, in recognition of your exceptional talent, versatility, and dedication to uplifting Providence's music scene. Your ability to bring people together through dynamic sets and community-centered events continues to inspire and energize our city. The City of Providence proudly honors your impact, artistry and commitment to the culture.

DJ Coro King, in recognition of your vibrant contributions to the soundscape of Providence. Through your powerful presence on stage and in the community, you've elevated dance floors and brought people together across cultures. The City of Providence celebrates your creativity, influence and continued leadership in music and entertainment.

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JUL 07 2025  
READ AND PASSED

  
RACHEL M. MILLER, PRESIDENT  
  
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I HEREBY APPROVE.

  
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Mayor  
Date: 7/9/25