

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 359

Approved September 10, 2021

WHEREAS, On August 9, 2021 former Providence City Councilwoman Patricia Katherine Nolan of Ward 9 passed away at age 79; and

WHEREAS, Originally from Massapequa, New York, Mrs. Nolan moved to the Elmwood neighborhood in 1985 to work as a Regional Sales Representative for Eastman Kodak; and

WHEREAS, As a dedicated member of the community, Mrs. Nolan found her passion as a community activist before becoming the first woman elected to represent Ward 9 on the Providence City Council, serving on the Council from 1991 to 2001; and

WHEREAS, Councilwoman Nolan was an active member of the Providence City Council, serving on numerous boards and committees including the Board of Contract and Supply, the Board of Park Commissioners, Committee on Public Works, the Committee on Finance, the Committee on Urban Redevelopment Renewal and Planning, and the Committee on Claims and Pending Suits; and

WHEREAS, Councilwoman Nolan was also involved with parish charities at St. Michael's Church where she met Sister Anne Keefe, co-founder of the Institute for the Practice and Study of Non-Violence where Mrs. Nolan was one of the first graduates; and

WHEREAS, Councilwoman Nolan worked with Sister Anne Keefe to launch the Providence CityArts for Youth in Elmwood to help Providence youth have equal access to performing and visual arts programs; and

WHEREAS, Councilwoman Nolan was a visionary legislator and zealous advocate for non-violence, city art, and homeownership initiatives which have become increasingly poignant issues for the City in recent years; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Nolan is survived by her three children, her daughter Jane and her husband Stephen; her daughter, Katherine and her husband John Rabkevich; and her son, Thomas M. Nolan and his husband, Peter N. Bramante. She also leaves her grandchildren, John Moskowski, James Rabkevich, and Nicholas Rabkevich; and

WHEREAS, Councilwoman Nolan is a role model for the entire Providence Community through her dedicated civil service and she leaves behind a lasting impression on the thousands of lives she impacted both in the City and the State.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby honors the life, memory and legacy of Councilwoman Patricia Katherine Nolan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of Providence extends its deepest condolences to the entire Nolan Family, as well as Councilwoman Nolan's extended family and friends throughout Providence and beyond.

IN CITY COUNCIL
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READ AND PASSED

JOHN J. IGLIOZZI, PRESIDENT

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I HEREBY APPROVE.

Mayor

Date:

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