

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 284

Approved May 5, 2012.

WHEREAS, The mission of the Jewish Voice and Herald is to communicate Jewish news, ideas and ideals by connecting and giving voice to the diverse views of the Jewish community in Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts, while adhering to Jewish values and the professional standards of journalism; and

WHEREAS, The Jewish Voice and Herald's reporting and analysis provides a valuable resource not only for the Jewish community, but also for the broader community of Rhode Island and Southeastern Massachusetts; and

WHEREAS, Last year, the Jewish Voice and Herald published a report describing a synagogue's practice of "sitting sh'mirah," an ancient ritual of watching over the bodies of the recently deceased prior to funeral and burial; and

WHEREAS, The Rhode Island Press Association has, since 1886, served as a statewide organization to promote the interests of newspapers and other publications, and to advance journalism standards and educational opportunities in Rhode Island; and

WHEREAS, The Rhode Island Press Association recognizes, each year, the most distinguished work of the State's finest journalists; and

WHEREAS, The Rhode Island Press Association recognized the 2011 report of the Jewish Voice and Herald as one of the three most outstanding articles written that year on the subject of religion and spirituality.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council recognizes and applauds the Jewish Voice and Herald for its superb contribution to a vital community within the City of Providence, and congratulates the publication and its organization for its ongoing fine work; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council further congratulates Nancy Kirsch, the executive editor of the Jewish Voice and Herald and the author of the award-winning article about "sitting sh'mirah," for her outstanding leadership of this distinguished publication, as well as her own journalistic excellence that garnered for her and for the publication she leads this coveted and well-deserved recognition.

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