

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 96

Approved February 9, 1985

WHEREAS, the House Democrats have introduced the Omnibus Property Tax Relief and Replacement Act, and

WHEREAS, Providence has the highest effective property tax rate in a State which has the sixth highest property tax burden in the country, and

WHEREAS, Providence has only the thirty-eighth highest medium income in the State, 14,948, and has an elderly population of 20.5%, of which 31.7% receive SSI assistance, and

WHEREAS, Providence has a large immigrant and minority population which require additional services from local government and school officials yet often have poverty level incomes, and

WHEREAS, residents of Elmhurst and Mount Pleasant are often paying 25% higher property taxes than on comparable homes only a half mile away in North Providence or Johnston, and

WHEREAS, the whole State uses the City's hospitals, State offices and Universities, all of which are tax-exempt plus suburbanites work in the City yet pay no tax, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor and the General Assembly ratify the Omnibus Property Tax Relief and Replacement Act and that they study the feasibility of a commuter tax.

IN CITY COUNCIL
FEB 7 1985
READ AND PASSED

Louis S. Strauch
CITY CLERK
Rose M. Mendonca
CLERK

APPROVED
FEB 9 1985
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Rose M. Mendonca
City Clerk

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February 20, 1985

Enclosed is certified copy of Resolution Number 96,
approved February 9, 1985, having been presented to the
City Council by Councilman Andrew J. Annaldo and Council-
woman Evelyn V. Fagnoli, the same being self-explanatory.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rose M. Mendonca".

Rose M. Mendonca,
City Clerk.

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