

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 757

Approved October 29, 1993

WHEREAS, the City of Providence currently is in possession of four (4) "camels," pieces of iron construction ten (10) feet by thirty (30) feet, used to hold ships away from the dock area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Providence obtained these "camels" free of charge and only paid for the transportation costs; and

WHEREAS, they have been at the dock for four (4) or five (5) years and have been useless to the Port since the manner in which cargo is now stored at the Port restricts any movement within the one hundred (100) foot circle inner area required by the Coast Guard; and

WHEREAS, the "camels" now, in fact, are obstructing the use of the string piece or working area at the Port; and

WHEREAS, the cost involved in transporting the "camels" would make selling them cost prohibitive,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The "camels" at the Port of Providence are not useful for any municipal purpose; and
2. His Honor, the Mayor, is authorized to dispose of said "camels" for the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) as he deems fit.

IN CITY COUNCIL
OCT 21 1993
READ AND PASSED
James J. Attias
PRES.
Michael R. Clement
CLERK

APPROVED
OCT 29 1993
Vincent A. Cianci
MAYOR

**THE COMMITTEE ON
CITY PROPERTY**

**Approves Passage of
The Within Resolution**

Michael R. Clement
~~Chairman~~
Clerk

Oct. 14, 1993

**PORT OF PROVIDENCE**

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October 15, 1993

Committee on City Property
c/o Councilman John Lombardi, Chairman
City Clerk's Office
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Councilman Lombardi:


Pursuant to my request to be heard before the City Property Committee regarding the discarding of certain unusable and worthless equipment here at the Port, it is my intent to dispose of the said equipment by offering it free of charge to those scrap metal companies located here at the Port.)

As you will recall, the "camels" were obtained several years ago by the Port from a military base in the Northeast which no longer had any use for them. The only criteria was that the Port assume the cost of transporting the equipment from the base to the Port of Providence. The purported use was to hold off the bulkhead, ships which needed to be in deeper water.

There were several considerations not taken into consideration and as a result the equipment has never been of any use or ever been utilized at the Port. In fact, they have become a nuisance in that they restrict passage up and down the dock and are a particular problem when certain ships requiring safety zones are in port.

My discussions and considerations in attempting to receive some value for their removal have been fruitless and organizations who might be interested say they would not gain any value and in fact would lose value and therefore are not interested if required to pay value. My intent is to remove the obstacles, dispose of the problem by giving the equipment away in return for their removal. I have brought this to your attention on the recommendation of the Solicitor's office out of an abundance of caution. The sooner I proceed, the better. I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,


Thomas F. O'Connor, Jr.
Executive Director

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