

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 15

*Approved* January 2, 2007

RESOLVED, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the removal of the sneakers on the electrical poles and/or wires in various locations in Ward 11.

Providence Street – Pole No. 26 and Pole No. 30

Hayward Street – Pole No. 3

Somerset Street – Pole No. 19

Taylor Street – Pole No. 1

Ford Street – Pole No. 7

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# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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RESOLVED, That the Director of Public Works is requested to cause the repair of potholes in various locations in Ward 11.

Conduit Street

Stewart Street

West Clifford Street & Portland Street

Dudley Street – “Jacqueline M. Clements Memorial Park”

Myrtle Street

307 Blackstone Street

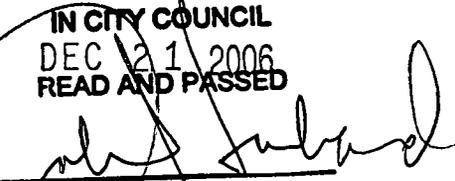
12 & 37 Comstock Avenue

4 Taylor Street

Wesleyan Avenue next to Broad Street side

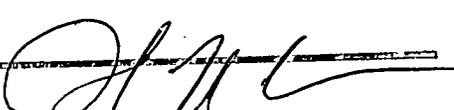
687 Burnett Street and Public Street

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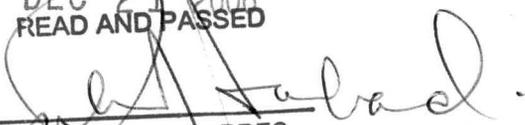
# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 16

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RESOLVED, That the Roger Williams Avenue Bridge is hereby re-named the "James J. Creamer Memorial Bridge", and that the President of the City Council appoint a seven member committee consisting of Councilman Ronald Allen; Councilman Elect Leon Tejada; Patrick R. Creamer; Matthew J. Smith, former Speaker of the House; Thomas Foley; Rita Murphy and Kathleen Kells, for the purpose of planning the memorial ceremony to be held by May 1, 2007.

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THE COMMITTEE ON  
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT  
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Approves Passage of  
The Within Resolution, as Amended  
Lois L. Heger  
12-5-06 Clerk

Councilmen Allen, Council President Lombardi, Councilmen Aponte, Butler, DeLuca, Councilwoman DeRuzza,  
Councilmen Hesselth, DiFiorzi, Jackson, Lusa, Marini, Councilwoman Romero, Councilman Segal, Councilwoman Williams & Young

Council President John J. Lombardi  
25 Dorrence Street  
Providence, R.I. 02903-3215

Dear Council President Lombardi,

I am requesting that the bridge at Roger Williams Ave that connects Roger Williams Ave to Elmwood Avenue be Named In honor of James J Creamer Jr. Who resided in the Reservoir Triangle Area of the City for most of his life. And was a member of the Reservoir Triangle Association. Serving as Corresponding Secretary. And other youth activities.

I first met Jimmy in 1977 when I moved into the triangle area, he was digging out the fire hydrant, from a Snowstorm. I didn't know him, but he knew me. He said he knew some friends of mine. And that was Jimmy from head to toe. He knew everyone.

Jimmy was a lieutenant in the Providence Fire Department for 20 years retiring in 1978. A Providence firefighter for many years, Jimmy, 58, later served as chief of staff for three House speakers: Matthew Smith, Joseph DeAngelis, and Harwood. Jim Creamer had also served in the administrations of Providence mayors Vincent A. Cianci Jr. and Joseph Paolino.

James was very active in Democratic Party and community affairs. He was chairman of the 8th Ward Democratic Committee, and a member of the Democratic State Committee. He was a member of the Providence Fire Department Relief Association, and served as a member of the board of directors for the Providence Fire Department Historical Society. He was a member of the board of directors for the Edgewood Youth Hockey Association, coached baseball for the Elmwood Little League and was a substitute teacher in the Providence school system.

Jimmy was loyal and independent at the same time being the first person who supported Council Person Allen for 8<sup>th</sup> ward councilman.

I took some of this information from the pro-jo.

If you need more information, or if a hearing is set I will be more than happy to attend.

The Family had consented to this request  
I have enclosed a copy of news articles.



Thomas Foley  
September 22, 2006

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**State House rocked by death of top aide; [ALL Edition]**  
**The Providence Journal.** Providence, R.I.: Jun 16, 1999. pg. B.04  
**Abstract (Document Summary)**

As the House was working on Senate bills yesterday, a personal crisis intervened and cut the session short: House Speaker John B. Harwood announced the death of his loyal State House aide, James Creamer, chief of staff for Harwood and two previous House speakers.

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crisis intervened and cut the session short: House Speaker John B. Harwood announced the death of his loyal State House aide, James Creamer, chief of staff for Harwood and two previous House speakers.

Representatives left the chamber with stunned looks, their mouths open. According to an aide to Harwood, Creamer was stricken at home yesterday morning and died at about 5 p.m. at Rhode Island Hospital.

"The staff here is just devastated," Patty McMahon-Wesolowski, administrative assistant to Harwood, said last evening. Harwood, she said, was also devastated and unable at the moment to comment.

A Providence firefighter for many years, Creamer, 58, later served as chief of staff for three House speakers: Matthew Smith, Joseph DeAngelis, and Harwood. According to McMahon-Wesolowski, Creamer had also served in the administrations of Providence mayors Vincent A. Cianci Jr. and Joseph Paolino.

Although a pivotal official in city and state politics for decades, Creamer preferred to remain behind the scenes. During one of the rare interviews he gave, in 1995, Creamer said the experience was "scary." Said Paolino, in the same story: "Jim doesn't undermine the people that he's with. He's not a Machiavellian."

McMahon-Wesolowski said Creamer leaves a wife, Patricia; two sons, Patrick and James; and two grandchildren. He was a resident of Providence.

"Jim was quite a fixture here at the State House," said McMahon-Wesolowski.

Funeral arrangements last evening were incomplete.

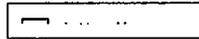
-G. WAYNE MILLER and CHRISTOPHER ROWLAND

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## Political insider James J. Creamer, 59; chief of staff for three House speakers; [All Edition]

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"He was a great chief of staff," Harwood said, citing Creamer's institutional knowledge and work ethic. "He loved the institution of the House of Representatives and jealously defended its honor at all times."

"He was a great family man, a man of the highest integrity, and most of all, a great friend," the speaker added. "I will dearly miss him."

Creamer was a lieutenant in the Providence Fire Department for 20 years, retiring in 1978. He then worked as an aide to former Atty. Gen. Dennis Roberts. He served as chief of staff to former Providence Mayor Joseph Paolino and was the commissioner of public safety for the City of Providence.

Creamer seldom agreed to be interviewed for newspaper articles, but he entertained reporters and politicians alike with his off-the-record stories of political campaigns and State House battles.

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