

# CITY OF PROVIDENCE RHODE ISLAND



The Credo of the Providence City Council is to be Industrious, to be Watchful and to Promote Peace. The bee, as a symbol of industry, is derived from the early colonial saying "Busy as a Bee"; the goose, as a symbol of watchfulness, is derived from the story of the goose whose cackling saved Rome; and the lamb, as a symbol of peace, is derived from the biblical use of the lamb as a symbol of peace.



IN CITY COUNCIL

MAY 18 2023

APPROVED:

*Jana L. Mastrosimone* CLERK

# **CITY COUNCIL**

## **JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

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**No. 11 City Council Regular Council Meeting, Thursday, May 4, 2023, 6:00 o'clock P.M.**

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### **PRESIDING**

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

### **RACHEL M. MILLER**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

**PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILORS PICHARDO, ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS – 15.**

**ALSO PRESENT: TINA L. MASTROIANNI, CITY CLERK, ANGELA J. HARRIS, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, DONNA M. PELIGIAN, FIRST DEPUTY CITY CLERK, CLAIRE E. GIRARD, CLERK LIAISON, YULY POLANCO, ASSISTANT CLERK, NAPOLEON ASKIE, CITY SERGEANT AND JEFFREY DANA, CITY SOLICITOR**

## INVOCATION

The Invocation is given by **COUNCILOR JUAN M. PICHARDO**.

"As we bow our heads, let us remember that we are in these chambers to serve our communities. Dear Lord, provide us the compassion and the love that our community deserves and bless us all for this day and guide us through the decisions that we're about to make here today and also the rest of the year. Amen."

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## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**COUNCILOR JUSTIN M. ROIAS** Leads the Members of the City Council and the Assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

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## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Journal of Proceedings No. 9 of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held April 20, 2023 and Journal of Proceedings No. 10 of the Special Meeting of the City Council held April 25, 2023.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 3 and Moves Approval, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (WITH VOTE) [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Taylor
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 15.

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## APPOINTMENTS BY HIS HONOR THE MAYOR

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated April 17, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1008 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **James C. Moore, III** of 23 Canonchet Trail, Cranston, Rhode Island 02921 as **Acting Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards**.

**RESULT: RECEIVED**

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated April 17, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1008 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **James C. Moore, III** of 23 Canonchet Trail, Cranston, Rhode Island 02921 as **Director of the Department of Inspection and Standards**, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated April 28, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 813(a) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, and Public Law Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **Sara Silveria** of 143 Middle Highway, Barrington, Rhode Island 02806 as **Finance Director** and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor, dated April 28, 2023, Informing the Honorable Members of the City Council that pursuant to Section 302(b) of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, Ordinance 2017-4, and Public Law, Chapter 45-50, Sections 1 through 31 passed in 1987, he is this day appointing **Stephany R. Lopes** of 144 Taunton Avenue, East Providence, Rhode Island 02914, as **License Administrator/Registrar of Vital Statistics**, and respectfully submits the same for your approval.

**RESULT: REFERRED**  
**TO: Committee on Finance**

## APPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated April 28, 2023,  
Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of Lance Cardillo as Acting City Treasurer,  
effective Monday, May 8, 2023.

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Communication from Council President Rachel M. Miller, dated April 28, 2023,  
Informing the City Clerk of her appointment of **Noel Sanchez** of 97 Niagara Street,  
Providence, Rhode Island 02907 as her designee to the **City Plan Commission**.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 4 through 9, Seconded by  
COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Receives item 4, Refer items 5 through 7 to the  
Committee on Finance and Receive items 8 and 9.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>
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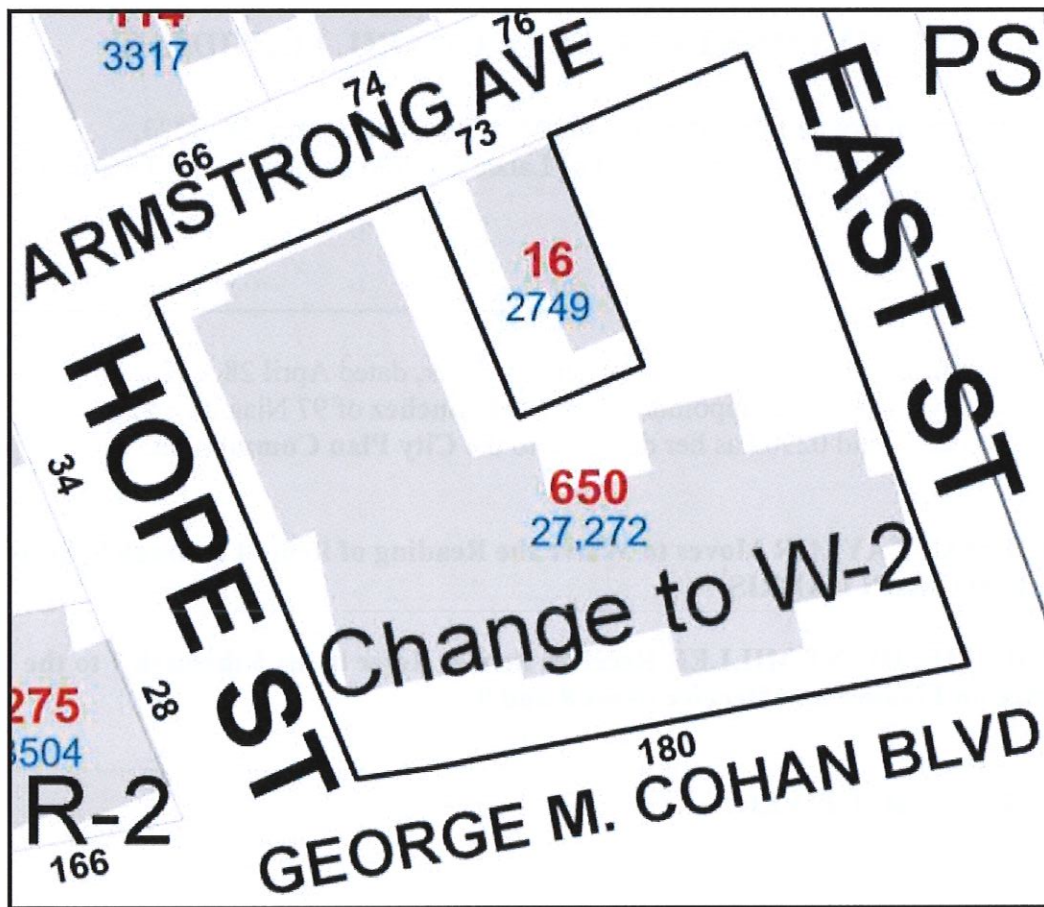
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## ORDINANCE(S) SECOND READING

**The Following Ordinances were in City Council April 20, 2023, Read and  
Passed the First Time and are Severally Returned for Passage the Second  
Time:**

An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of  
Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November  
24, 2014, As Amended, to change the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the  
Property located on Assessor's Plat 17, Lot 650 (180 George M. Cohan Boulevard), from  
R-2 to W-2.

SECTION 1. Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The  
City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As  
Amended, is hereby further amended by changing the Zoning District on the  
Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 17, Lot 650  
(180 George M. Cohan Boulevard), from R-2 to W-2.



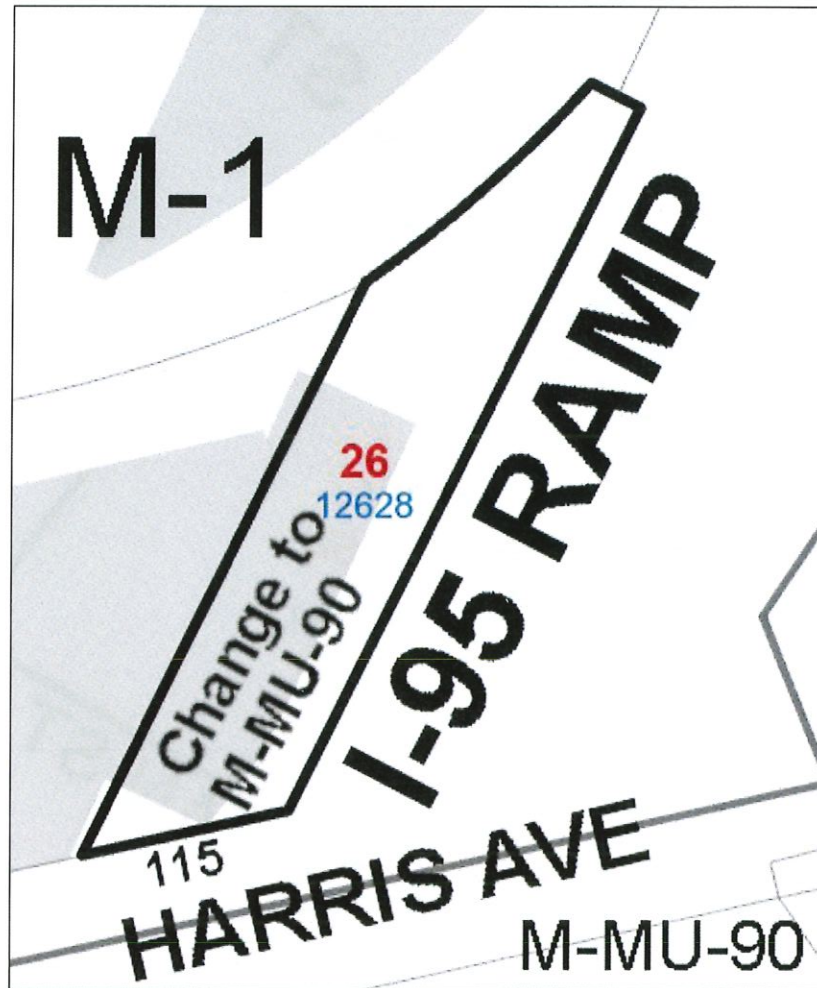
SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

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An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, to change the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 26, Lot 26 (115 Harris Avenue), from M-1 Light Industrial to M-MU-90- Mixed-Use Industrial.

SECTION 1. Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, is hereby further amended by changing the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 26, Lot 26 (115 Harris Avenue), from M-1 Light Industrial to M-MU-90- Mixed-Use Industrial.



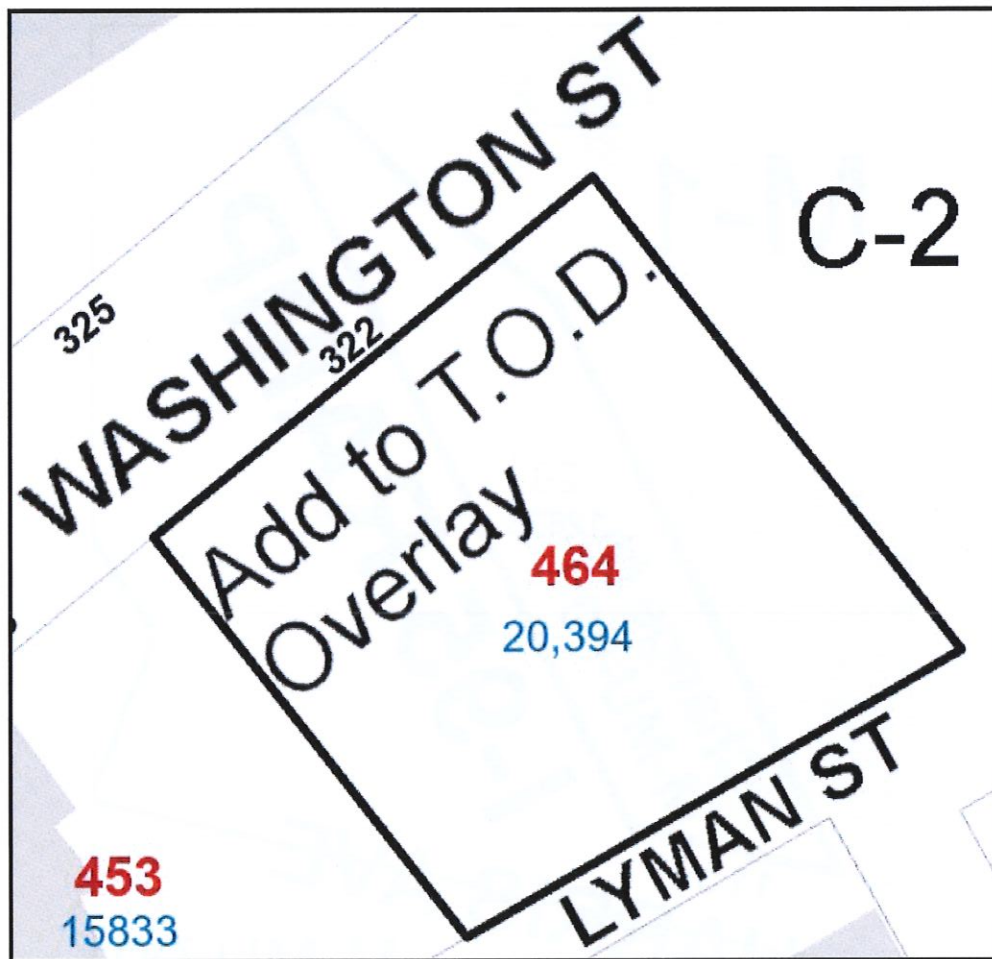


SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

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An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, to change the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 25, Lot 464 (322 Washington Street) (the "Property") in the Transit-Oriented Development Overlay District (the "TOD").

SECTION 1. Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, is hereby further amended by changing the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 25, Lot 464 (322 Washington Street) (the "Property") in the Transit-Oriented Development Overlay District (the "TOD").



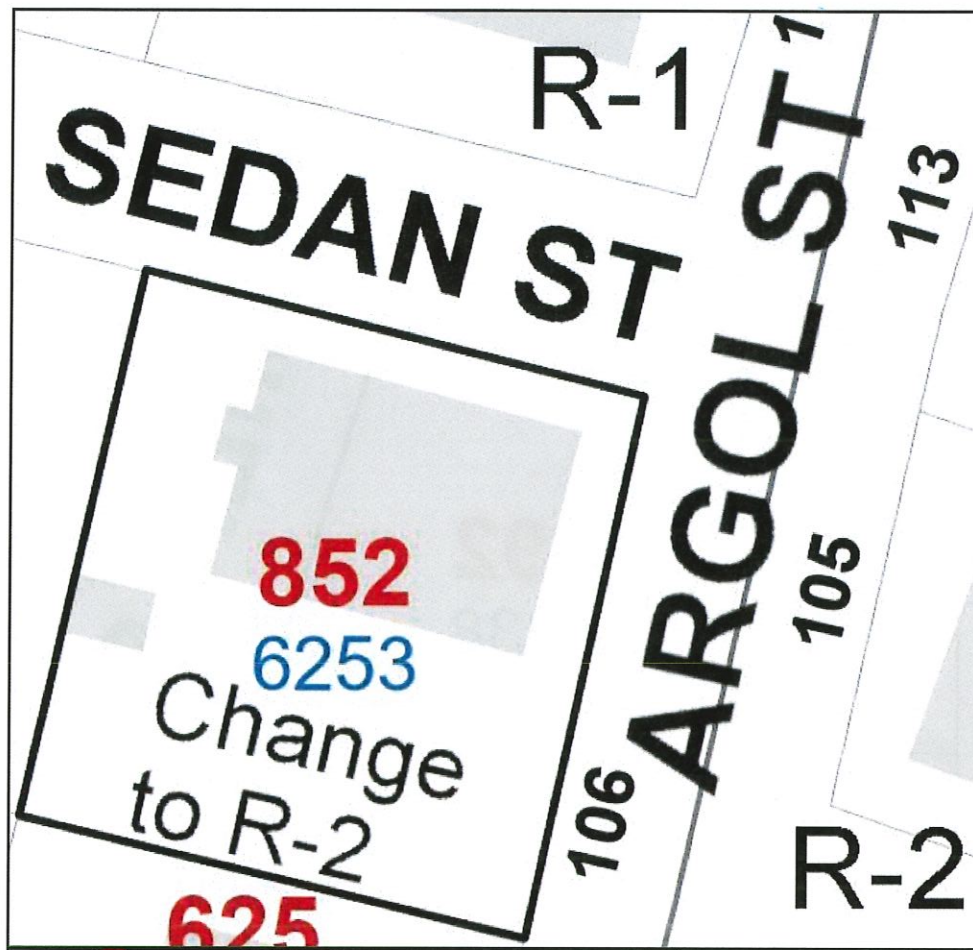
SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

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An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, to change the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 77, Lot 852 (106 Argol Street), from R-1 to R-2.

SECTION 1. Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, is hereby further amended by changing the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 77, Lot 852 (106 Argol Street), from R-1 to R-2.



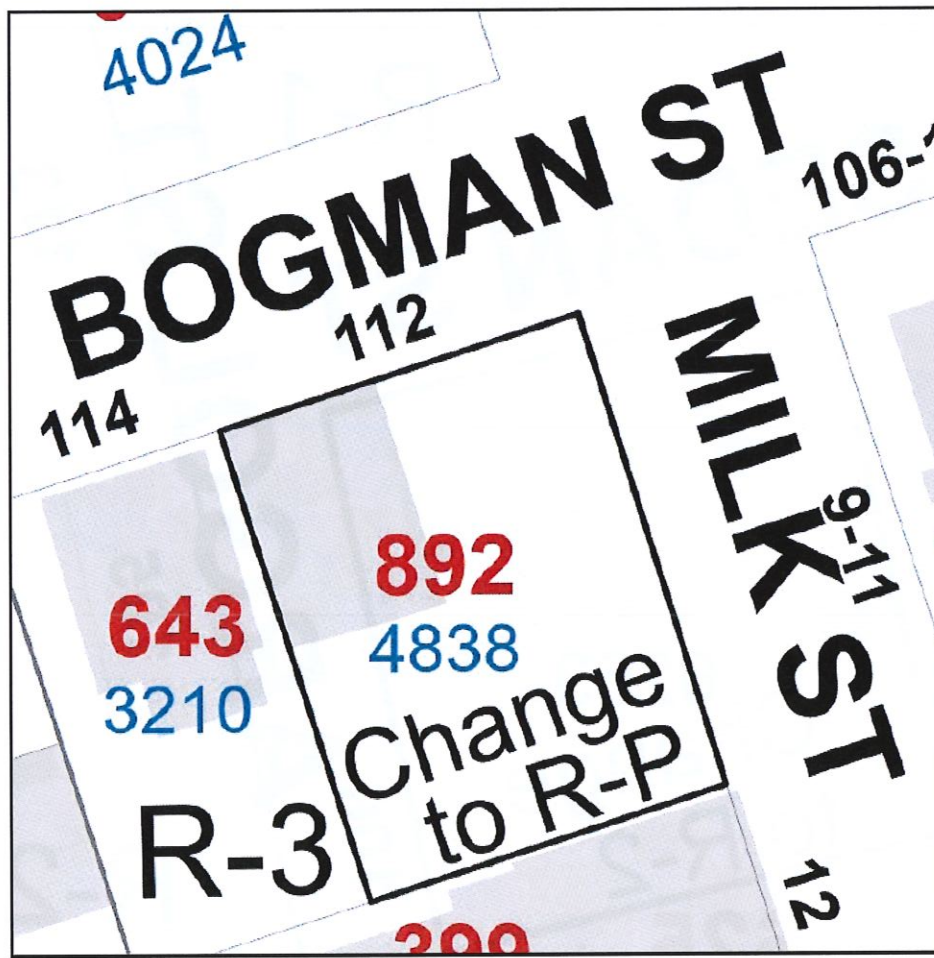


SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

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An Ordinance in Amendment of Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, to change the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 45, Lot 892 (112 Bogman Street), from R-3 Residential District to R-P Residential Professional District.

SECTION 1. Chapter 27 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Providence, Entitled: "The City of Providence Zoning Ordinance," Approved November 24, 2014, As Amended, is hereby further amended by changing the Zoning District on the Official Zoning Map for the Property located on Assessor's Plat 45, Lot 892 (112 Bogman Street), from R-3 Residential District to R-P Residential Professional District.



SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 10 through 14 and Pass for the Second Time on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>READ/PASSED SECOND TIME [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Taylor
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 15.

**The Motion for Passage the Second Time is Sustained.**

## **PRESENTATION OF ORDINANCE**

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS AND COUNCILMAN GONCALVES**

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 15 "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", Section 15-11, "Residential Parking/Standing of Certain Commercial Vehicles".

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED</b>
<b>TO:</b>	Committee on Ordinances

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## **PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, SENIOR DEPUTY MAJORITY LEADER GONCALVES, (By Request):**

Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26 (b)(1).

Bentley Builders, Inc. (Parks Department)	\$1,452,849.00
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Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26 (b)(1).

Torrado Architects (Public Property)	\$2,859,000.00
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Resolution Authorizing Approval of the following Contract Award by the Board of Contract and Supply, in accordance with Section 21-26 (b)(2).

Pranzi Catering (Department of Public Works)	\$2,222.50
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**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 15 through 18, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Refers item 15 to the Committee on Ordinances and items 16 through 18 to the Committee on Ordinances.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED</b>
<b>TO:</b>	Committee on Finance

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**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILORS PICHARDO, ROIAS, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Recognizing the 54<sup>th</sup> Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Week from April 30, 2023 to May 6, 2023.

***WHEREAS***, The Office of the City Clerk, a time-honored and vital part of local government exists throughout the world, and

***WHEREAS***, The Office of the City Clerk is the oldest among public servants, and

***WHEREAS***, The Office of the City Clerk provides the professional link between the citizens, the local governing bodies and agencies of government at other levels, and

***WHEREAS***, City Clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all; and

***WHEREAS***, The City Clerk maintains and records all votes, orders, resolutions and ordinances made and passed by the City Council; and

***WHEREAS***, City Clerks continually strive to improve the administration of the affairs of the Office of the City Clerk furnishing the heads of departments and the chairmen of all committees of the City Council with certified copies of such votes or resolutions as they relate to their respective departments or committees.; and

***WHEREAS***, it is most appropriate that we recognize the accomplishments of the Office of the City Clerk.

***NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED***, That the Providence City Council hereby recognizes the week of April 30 through May 6, 2023, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week, and further extend appreciation to our Office of the City Clerk and to all Professional Municipal Clerks for the vital services they perform and their exemplary dedication to the communities they represent.

**COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER,  
COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMEN ANTHONY, GRAVES,  
HARRIS, COUNCILORS ROIAS, SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS  
AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to enter into Environmental Land Use Restrictions for the property located at 56 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 770), 58 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 769), 62 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 768), and 66 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 767), as a result of environmental remediation efforts conducted at the above described properties.

***RESOLVED, DECREED AND ORDERED:***

The Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management has requested certain environmental land use restrictions be recorded against certain City-owned land located at 56 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48 Lot 770), 58 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48 Lot 769), 62 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48 Lot 768), and 66 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48 Lot 767) as a result of environmental remediation efforts conducted at the above described properties. The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into the environmental land use restriction attached as Exhibit A.

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**COUNCILMEN ESPINAL, GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER,  
COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMEN ANTHONY, GRAVES,  
HARRIS, COUNCILORS ROIAS, SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS  
AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to enter into Environmental Land Use Restrictions for the property located at 61 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 780), 57 Baxter Street (Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 781), 5 Norwich Avenue (Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 782), and 9 Norwich Avenue (Assessor's Plat 48, Lot 783), as a result of environmental remediation efforts conducted at the above described properties.

***RESOLVED, DECREED AND ORDERED:***

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**COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR  
ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILOR SANCHEZ,  
COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMAN  
HARRIS, COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILWOMAN  
VARGAS AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Requesting the City Council to support Sojourner House and the expansion of its services in the City of Providence and the effort to exempt the real and tangible personal property taxes of the organization under Rhode Island General Law § 44-3-3.

**WHEREAS**, Sojourner House has operated a federal 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization and a Rhode Island domestic nonprofit corporation since 1976; and

**WHEREAS**, Sojourner House was founded by Providence residents and Brown University students who were concerned about what was then a silent epidemic: domestic and sexual violence; and

**WHEREAS**, Sojourner House has grown from a part-time, volunteer hotline into a provider of comprehensive services available to victims of abuse 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, serving residents of the City of Providence and statewide; and

**WHEREAS**, Sojourner House offers vital services to victims of domestic violence and abuse, including support groups, emergency shelter, transitional and permanent supportive housing, sexual health advocacy, emotional support, professional and community training, and more; and

**WHEREAS**, Since its incorporation in 1976, Sojourner House has served more than 60,000 individuals, and is one of Providence's most effective organizations serving victims; and

**WHEREAS**, Sojourner House opened the doors to its administrative and client services offices at 386 Smith Street in Providence in 2003; and

**WHEREAS**, In 2022, Sojourner House further expanded its services in Providence by purchasing 1570 Westminster Street to meet its mission.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby support Sojourner House and the expansion of its services in the city of Providence and the effort to exempt the real and tangible personal property taxes of the organization under Rhode Island General Law § 44-3-3.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That, upon passage, copies of this resolution be sent to the elected Rhode Island House and Senate representatives of the City of Providence.

**COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCIL  
PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMAN  
ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS,  
COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS  
AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Requesting the Traffic Engineer and Parking Enforcement either disable the parking meters or abstain from collecting payment in the spaces surrounding the Rhode Island State House anytime the General Assembly is in session.

**WHEREAS**, The Rhode Island State House should be accessible for every Rhode Islander; and

**WHEREAS**, Paying to park can be a barrier of entry for many seeking civic engagement at the State House; and

**WHEREAS**, Every parking space around the State House is metered requiring payments to park; and

**WHEREAS**, Providing spaces where citizens can park free of charge would improve equality of access to those seeking to engage with the State House and the public processes that happen therein; and

**WHEREAS**, Facilitating access to the legislative process is a primary function of Government; and

**WHEREAS**, The Providence City Council recognizes the barrier of entry posed by the paid parking meters around the Rhode Island State House.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby requests that the traffic engineer and parking enforcement either disable the parking meters or abstain from collecting payment in the spaces surrounding the Rhode Island State House anytime the General Assembly is in session.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Mayor of Providence, the director of the Department of Public Works, the traffic engineer, and parking enforcement.

**COUNCILORS SANCHEZ, ANDERBOIS, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES,  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY,  
COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS,  
COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS  
AND COUNCILMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Recognizing the Month of May each year as "Mental Health Awareness Month".

**WHEREAS**, The month of May has been federally recognized as Mental Health Awareness Month, and

**WHEREAS**, Mental Health Awareness Month is intended to draw attention to the fact that mental health is indeed a medical condition that impacts many of our community members throughout Providence and Rhode Island; and

**WHEREAS**, Mental health is a growing concern in our local communities, with a growing number of adults in Rhode Island reporting to have experienced a recent major depressive episode; and

**WHEREAS**, Mental illness is not limited to adults with many children and young adults in Rhode Island also reporting to have experienced a recent major depressive episode; and

**WHEREAS**, Many of the complex societal challenges faced in Rhode Island including homelessness and substance abuse are exacerbated by undiagnosed mental health disorders that inhibit an individual's ability to receive the proper treatment and resources that they so desperately need; and

**WHEREAS**, Many national and local organizations such as the Rhode Island Coalition for Children and Families (RICCF), the Rhode Island chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness, the Medical Psychiatric Program at Hasbro Children Hospital, the Department of Psychiatry at Rhode Island Hospital, Bradley hospital, and many others, work to raise awareness around the importance of maintaining mental health; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Providence strongly supports the efforts of national, state, and local partners, and calls upon every citizen to actively engage in public and private efforts to raise awareness on mental health.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the City Council of the City of Providence does hereby join advocates and communities across the country in supporting efforts to raise awareness and destigmatize mental illness; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That, the City of Providence recognizes the month of May each year as "Mental Health Awareness Month."

**COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS, COUNCILMEN GONCALVES, VARGAS,  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS,  
COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN  
GRAVES, HARRIS, COUNCILORS ROIAS AND SANCHEZ**

Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to enter into an easement with The Narragansett Electric Company doing business as Rhode Island Energy, over, under, and across a portion of City-Owned land at 254 Eastwood Street (Assessor's Plat 107, Lot 111).

***RESOLVED, DECREED AND ORDERED:***

Petitioner THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY, a domestic utility currently doing business as Rhode Island Energy, located at 280 Melrose Avenue in Providence, has requested an easement over, under, and across a portion of City-owned land at 254 Eastwood Street (Assessor's Plat 107 Lot 111), across Laban Street from the Frank D. Spaziano Elementary School Annex. The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into the easement attached as Exhibit A.

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**COUNCILMEN VARGAS, GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER,  
COUNCILOR ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN  
ESPINAL, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS, COUNCILORS ROIAS,  
SANCHEZ, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR AND COUNCILWOMAN VARGAS**

Resolution Recognizing Mark Jeffrey and SODEXO.

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic created unprecedented challenges across the globe, affecting every aspect of life including access to food for vulnerable communities; and

WHEREAS, SODEXO, a food service and facilities management company, and its District Manager, Mark Jeffrey, played a vital role in ensuring that Providence school children had access to healthy meals during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, The pandemic forced SODEXO to operate with a reduced workforce due to quarantine restrictions, requiring them to get creative and set up meal distribution sites in unconventional areas such as cafeterias, classrooms, gymnasiums, hallways, parking lots; and

WHEREAS, SODEXO distributed 1,713,600 bagged lunches to 856,800 classrooms and erected 8 outdoor meal distribution sites for remote learners, ultimately serving 3.2 million meals; and

WHEREAS, SODEXO's efforts ensured that even when schools were closed, children in Providence had access to nutritious meals, which for many was their only source of such meals during the week; and

WHEREAS, The Providence City Council acknowledges and honors the team at SODEXO, including Mark Jeffrey, for their incredible work and persistence in overcoming challenges to feed Providence school children during the pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby recognizes and honors Mark Jeffrey, District Manager at SODEXO, and his team for their extraordinary efforts in ensuring continuity in feeding Providence school children during the COVID-19 pandemic.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Mayor of Providence, Mark Jeffrey, and SODEXO.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 19 through 26 and Pass on a Voice Vote and read items 19 and 26 into the record, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PASSED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Taylor
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 15.

**The Motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## **REPORT(S) FROM COMMITTEE(S)**

### **COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES COUNCILMAN PEDRO J. ESPINAL, Chairman**

**Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Adopted:**

**COUNCILMEN TAYLOR, VARGAS, COUNCILOR PICHARDO AND  
COUNCILMAN ESPINAL**

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 17 "Officers and Employees", Section 17-8  
"Restriction on Employment of Persons Drawing City Pension" of the Providence Code  
of Ordinances.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 27 and Pass for the First  
Time on a Roll Call Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>READ/PASSED FOR THE FIRST TIME [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Taylor
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 15.

**The Motion for Passage the First Time is Sustained.**

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**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON STATE LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS  
COUNCILMAN JOHN GONCALVES, Chairman**

**Transmits the Following with Recommendation the Same be Severally  
Approved:**

**COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND  
COUNCILOR PICHARDO**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5141, An Act Relating to Education - Federal Aid.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5141 would require free lunches to be provided for all elementary and secondary students attending public schools, to the extent state and federal funds are available.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5141, An Act Relating to Education - Federal Aid.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILMAN ESPINAL AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5142, An Act Relating to Health and Safety - High Heat Waste Facility Act of 2023.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5142 would provide for a prohibition on any new high-heat waste facility.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5142, An Act Relating to Health and Safety - High Heat Waste Facility Act of 2023.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILMAN ESPINAL, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND  
COUNCILOR PICHARDO**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of Senate Bill 2023  
S-0002, An Act Relating to Health and Safety - Lead Poisoning Prevention Act.

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill S-0002 would establish a lead water supply replacement program for public and private service lines and require disclosure to tenants and buyers of real property of the presence of lead service lines.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of Senate Bill S-0002, An Act Relating to Health and Safety - Lead Poisoning Prevention Act.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Senate President and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN ANTHONY, GRAVES,  
HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR AND  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5300, An Act Relating to Criminal Offenses - Assault Weapons.

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**COUNCILORS SANCHEZ, ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY,  
COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS,  
PETERSON, COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR, COUNCIL  
PRESIDENT MILLER AND COUNCILOR PICHARDO**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5318, An Act Relating to Health and Safety - Lead Poisoning Prevention Act.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5318 would establish a lead water supply replacement program for public and private service lines using federal funds provided by the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and other federal sources.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5318, An Act Relating to Health and Safety - Lead Poisoning Prevention Act.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILOR ROIAS, COUNCILMAN TAYLOR AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023 H-5350, An Act Relating to Insurance - Accident and Sickness Insurance Policies.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5350 would limit the copayment or coinsurance requirement on specialty drugs to one hundred fifty dollars (\$150) for a thirty (30)- day supply regarding any specialty drug in any individual or health insurance contract, plan, or policy issued, delivered or renewed on or after January 1, 2024. Specialty drugs would be defined as a drug prescribed to an individual with a complex or chronic medical condition or a rare medical condition.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5350, An Act Relating to Insurance - Accident and Sickness Insurance Policies.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND COUNCILWOMAN GRAVES**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023 H-5461, An Act Relating to Elections - Registration of Voters.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5461 would authorize cities and towns, by ordinance, to allow all their residents to vote in municipal officeholders regardless of the immigration status of their residents.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5461, An Act Relating to Elections - Registration of Voters.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

**COUNCILORS SANCHEZ, ANDERBOIS, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY,  
COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER,  
COUNCILWOMEN HARRIS, PETERSON, COUNCILOR ROIAS,  
COUNCILMAN TAYLOR AND COUNCILOR PICHARDO**

Resolution Supporting the Medicare for All Act of 2022.

**WHEREAS**, According to a National Health Statistics Report, there are 31.6 million people of all ages that were uninsured in 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, Despite spending approximately 19 percent of gross domestic product on healthcare, the United States has worse health outcomes when compared with other developed countries in the areas of maternal mortality, infant mortality, life expectancy, diabetes, heart disease, and preventable deaths; and

**WHEREAS**, Medicare has been the most financially efficient healthcare system in the United States with administrative costs averaging only 2 percent of program outlays versus 13 percent for private insurance; and

**WHEREAS**, A healthcare system with high costs and poor outcomes undermines our economy and threatens our long-term fiscal and economic well-being; and

**WHEREAS**, Medicare for All would provide a path toward a single, unified, comprehensive national health program that calls for the elimination of premiums, copays, and deductibles for medical coverage as well as a jobs program for insurance industry employees affected by the transition to single-payer healthcare.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council does hereby urge the Governor of Rhode Island, our state and federal legislators to actively support legislation such as the Medicare for All Act of 2022.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby advocates for Medicare for All and supports steps towards ensuring the continued care of Rhode Island residents.

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**COUNCILWOMEN PETERSON, ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES  
AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023 H-5055, An Act Relating to Elections - General Provisions.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5055 would allow individuals, who have not reached the age of eighteen (18) years, to vote in a primary election, as long as the voter will be eighteen (18), as of the date of the general or special election.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill-5055, An Act Relating to Elections - General Provisions.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.



**COUNCILWOMEN PETERSON, ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES,  
COUNCILOR SANCHEZ AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5120, An Act Relating to Property - Homeless Bill of Rights.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5120 would establish a committee to make recommendations to the Rhode Island housing resources commission for consideration by the commission in preparation for the state's plan for housing relating to the operation of homeless shelters.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5120, An Act Relating to Property - Homeless Bill of Rights.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILWOMEN PETERSON, ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES  
AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5204, An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government - The Department of Housing.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5204 would require the secretary of housing to create a consumer guide of landlord-tenant laws to be updated annually.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5204, An Act Relating to State Affairs and Government - The Department of Housing

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILWOMEN PETERSON, ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES,  
COUNCILOR SANCHEZ, COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND COUNCILOR  
PICHARDO**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5376, An Act Relating to Property - Rhode Island Fair Housing Practices Act.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5376 would prohibit landlords from inquiring about an applicant's prior incarceration and from discriminating against those who have been released from prison.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5376, An Act Relating to Property - Rhode Island Fair Housing Practices Act.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

**COUNCILWOMEN PETERSON, ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES  
AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5841, An Act Relating to Commercial Law - General Regulatory Provisions -  
Purchase and Sale of Precious Metals.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5841 would mandate that a bill of sale for the vehicle be attached for any transacted catalytic converter. Additionally, this act would change the requirement for every person licensed under this chapter to retain a copy of the report form for a period of one year to three (3) years from the date of the sale stated on the form.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5841, An Act Relating to Commercial Law - General Regulatory Provisions - Purchase and Sale of Precious Metals.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILWOMEN PETERSON, ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES,  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER, COUNCILWOMEN GRAVES, HARRIS,  
COUNCILOR PICHARDO, COUNCILWOMAN RYAN, COUNCILMEN  
TAYLOR AND VARGAS**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5842, An Act Relating to Commercial Law - General Regulatory Provisions - Rhode  
Island Catalytic Converter Interstate Compact.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5842 would establish an interstate compact regulating the purchase and sale of catalytic converters specifically precious metals to prevent the proliferation of stolen converters and set licensing and reporting requirements for each sale or purchase of converters.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5842, An Act Relating to Commercial Law - General Regulatory Provisions - Rhode Island Catalytic Converter Interstate Compact.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY AND COUNCIL  
PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5362, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5362 would require that landlords of residential properties must give tenants notice of a rent increase at least one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the effective date of the increase; and

**WHEREAS**, The act would also increase the notice requirement for rent increases for a month-to-month tenant who is over the age of sixty-two (62) years to at least one hundred fifty (150) days.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5362, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY AND COUNCIL  
PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5580, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5580 would prohibit a landlord, lessor, sub-lessor, real estate broker, property management company, or designee to require or receive a fee for a rental application from a prospective tenant or tenant. Violations would be unfair business practices punishable as a misdemeanor with a fine of five hundred dollars (\$500).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5580, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMEN ANTHONY, PETERSON  
AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5502, An Act Relating to Health and Safety - Beverage Container Deposit Recycling  
Act of 2023.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5502 would establish a system for the recycling of beverage containers working with the department of environmental management. Deposits would be paid by the consumer and retailers or redemption centers would be reimbursed a handling fee. The department would allow for the establishment, operation, and licensure of redemption centers.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5502, An Act Relating to Health and Safety - Beverage Container Deposit Recycling Act of 2023.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023  
H-5691, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5691 would prohibit a landlord from increasing the rent for a residential property more than once annually. Violation of this provision would be deemed a deceptive trade practice and subject to penalties.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5691, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House and the Providence Delegation.

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**COUNCILOR PICHARDO, COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY, COUNCILMAN GONCALVES, COUNCILWOMAN PETERSON AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023 H-6087 and Senate Bill 2023 S-0311, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-6087 and Senate Bill S-0311 would prohibit the requirement that a fee be paid for a rental application for real property.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-6087 and Senate Bill S-0311, An Act Relating to Property - Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House, the Senate President, and the Providence Delegation.

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**Transmits the Following Without Recommendation:**

**COUNCILMAN GONCALVES AND COUNCILWOMAN ANTHONY**

Resolution Endorsing and Urging Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill 2023 H-5289 and Senate Bill 2023 S-0443, An Act Relating to Alcoholic Beverages - Retail Licenses.

**WHEREAS**, House Bill H-5289 and Senate Bill S-0443 would authorize the Providence board of licenses to exempt from the prohibition regarding adjoining property owners and proximity to schools and churches any proposed retailer Class B or Class BV license located at 225 Waterman Street, Plat 14, Lot 508 of the applicable City of Providence tax assessment map.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Providence City Council hereby supports and urges passage of House Bill H-5289 and Senate Bill S-0443, An Act Relating to Alcoholic Beverages - Retail Licenses.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That upon passage, copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Speaker of the House, the Senate President and the Providence Delegation.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 28 through 47 and Pass on a Voice Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PASSED [13 TO 1]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Taylor
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilman Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor and Councilwoman Vargas – 13.
<b>NAYS:</b>	Councilman Espinal – 1.
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Councilman Vargas – 1.

**The Motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS

Communication from Marcela Betancur, dated June 21, 2022, submitting her resignation from the Board of Commissioners for the Providence Housing Authority.

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Communication from Kevin Proft, Interim Director of Sustainability, dated April 18, 2023, submitting his appointment of Jaylyn McNeil (Youth Seat), as a member of the Providence Sustainability Commission.

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Communication from Amanda Pontarelli, Deputy Director, Department of Public Property, dated April 19, 2023, submitting the CIP Quarterly Report - January 2023 through March 2023.

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Communication from Derek M. Silva, Chief of the Providence Fire Department, dated April 19, 2023, submitting the 2022 Providence Fire Department Annual Report.

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Communication from Christyl Melendez, Fiscal Advisor, Parks Department, dated April 24, 2023, submitting the 2022 Parks Department Annual Report.

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Annual Report from Jeffrey Dana, City Solicitor, dated, April 25, 2023, of Civil Suits and Legal Proceedings to the City Council in accordance with Section 2-98 of the Providence Code of Ordinances - April 2023.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>RECEIVED</b>
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Petition from Joseph Colaluca by John T. Longo, Esquire, 996 Smith Street, Suite 101, Providence, Rhode Island 02908, requesting a Zone Change for the property located on Assessor's Plat 99, Lots 259, 260, 261 and 262 (57, 61, 65 and 69 Anchor Street), from R-3 Residential to R-4 Residential.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of items 48 through 54, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER Receives items 48 through 53 and Refer item 54 to the Committee on Ordinances.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED</b>
<b>TO:</b>	Committee on Ordinances

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## **PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN CONGRATULATIONS"**

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Resolution Extending Congratulations.

RESOLVED, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere  
Congratulations to the following:

Councilwoman Jo-Ann Ryan, in recognition of the celebration of your birthday on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

Councilwoman Helen D. Anthony, in recognition of the celebration of your birthday on Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023.



Senior Deputy Majority Leader John Goncalves, in recognition of the celebration of your birthday on Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Councilwoman Althea Graves, in recognition of the celebration of your birthday on Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Deputy Majority Leader Mary Kay Harris, in recognition of the celebration of your birthday on Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

Cambodian Society of Rhode Island, in recognition of the celebration of the Cambodian New Year.

Wat Thormikaram of Rhode Island, in recognition of the celebration of the Cambodian New Year.

Dr. José Ángel Rodríguez, in recognition of your visit to the City of Providence and for your lifetime commitment of advocacy for Mexican Americans.

Captain Alyssa B. DeAndrade, Providence Police Department, in recognition of the celebration of your promotion to Major.

Sergeant Timothy E. Pickering, Providence Police Department, in recognition of the celebration of your promotion to Lieutenant.

Sergeant Eugene K. Chin, Providence Police Department, in recognition of the celebration of your promotion to Lieutenant.

Officer Donald J. Castigliero, Jr., Providence Police Department, in recognition of the celebration of your promotion to Sergeant.

Detective Kyle B. Endres, Providence Police Department, in recognition of the celebration of your promotion to Sergeant.

Jacqueline Toliver, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Carmen D. Morales, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Bienvenida Hiraldo, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Lenny Gonzalves, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Ramona Germosen, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Ino Maria Luz, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Juan Palma, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Rosemary Colt, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Nicholas Gareca, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Carol Pagan, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Deidania Peña-DaRosa, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Martin Quirk, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Jennifer Walker, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Mayra Garcia, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Lludmila Garcia, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Ana Ramos, in recognition of your hard work with the Rhode Island School Recycling Program in implementing a food waste diversion program at the Leviton Dual Language Elementary School, helping to divert 1.1 tons of healthy, edible food that would have gone into the trash and landfill and instead now goes to students who are hungry and will divert 3.8 tons of food waste from the landfill to be converted into compost that will help farmers grow more crops.

Pastor Emmanuel & Mrs. Esther Taiwo, in recognition of the celebration of your 52<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

Bukola Taiwo Daramola, in recognition of the celebration of your 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Raphael Hodge, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Derek De La Cruz, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Erison Mieses, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Arnold P. Pena, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Samuel Belboder, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Jefferson Mieses, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Carlos Roquez, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Edward McClung, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Jerusalem Leon, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Christopher Barboza, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Adryan Urena, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Anthony Campos, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Marcelo Acosta, in recognition of completing the Providence Sports and Leadership Financial Literacy Workshop.

Bobby Brown, in recognition of your dedication to the arts and for your illustrious and successful career in the music industry, the City of Providence honors your incredible legacy.

Ralph Tresvant, in recognition of your dedication to the arts and for your illustrious and successful career in the music industry, the City of Providence honors your incredible legacy.

Ronnie DeVoe, in recognition of your dedication to the arts and for your illustrious and successful career in the music industry, the City of Providence honors your incredible legacy.

Johnny Gill, in recognition of your dedication to the arts and for your illustrious and successful career in the music industry, the City of Providence honors your incredible legacy.

Michael Bivens, in recognition of your dedication to the arts and for your illustrious and successful career in the music industry, the City of Providence honors your incredible legacy.

Ricky Bell, in recognition of your dedication to the arts and for your illustrious and successful career in the music industry, the City of Providence honors your incredible legacy.

Monsy Torres, in recognition of the celebration of your 52<sup>nd</sup> Birthday!

Magaly Montalvo, in recognition of your lifelong service to the community.

Vivian Medina, in recognition of your lifelong service to the community.

Naiviv Ortiz, in recognition of your lifelong service to the community.

Michael Morris, in recognition of your lifelong service to the community.

Lieutenant Governor Sabina Matos, in recognition of being recognized as a Community Catalyst at the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary One/NB Celebration.

Neil Steinberg, President and CEO, Rhode Island Foundation, in recognition of being recognized as a Community Catalyst at the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary One/NB Celebration.

Ana Novais, Acting Secretary, Executive Office of Health, and Human Services, in recognition of being recognized as a Community Catalyst at the 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary One/NB Celebration.

The Hip Hop Chess Club of Rhode Island, in recognition of the celebration of your 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Julian R. Espinal, in recognition of being inducted into the 102<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cum Laude Society at the Classical High School Induction Ceremony! Your hard work and determination have brought you so far.

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 55 and Pass on a Voice Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PASSED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Taylor
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 15.

**The Motion for Passage is Sustained.**

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## **PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS "IN MEMORIAM"**

### **COUNCIL PRESIDENT MILLER AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Resolution Extending Sympathy.

RESOLVED, That the Members of the City Council hereby extend their Sincere Sympathy to the families of the following:

Antonio J. Lopes

Ismael Vargas

**COUNCILMAN TAYLOR Moves to Waive the Reading of item 56 and Pass on a Unanimous Rising Vote, Seconded by COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>PASSED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilman Taylor
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilwoman Harris
<b>AYES:</b>	Council President Miller, Councilor AnderBois, Councilwoman Anthony, Councilmen Espinal, Goncalves, Councilwomen Graves, Harris, Peterson, Councilors Pichardo, Roias, Councilwoman Ryan, Councilor Sanchez, Councilman Taylor, Councilwoman Vargas and Councilman Vargas – 15.

**The Motion for Passage is Sustained.**

## CONVENTION

There being no further business, on Motion of **COUNCILMAN TAYLOR**, Seconded by **COUNCILWOMAN HARRIS**, it is voted to adjourn in memory of Joanna F. Pinto and Carmelo Raul Dinguis at 6:19 o'clock P.M., to meet again **THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023 at 6:00 o'clock P.M.**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tina L. Mastroianni". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

**TINA L. MASTROIANNI**  
**CITY CLERK**

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