

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 247

Approved July 22, 2020

WHEREAS, Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela played a leading role in supporting Africa's struggle for liberation and Africa's unity through his outstanding contributions to the creation of a non-racial, non-sexist, democratic South Africa; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Mandela is world renown for his values and his dedication to the service of humanity, through his work as a humanitarian in the fields of conflict resolution, race relations, promotion and protection of human rights, reconciliation, gender equality and the rights of children and other vulnerable groups, as well as the upliftment of poor and underdeveloped communities; and

WHEREAS, On July 18, 2009, the United Nations, by unanimous decision, launched Nelson Mandela International Day in recognition of Nelson Mandela's birthday; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Mandela International Day was inspired by Mr. Mandela's call for the next generation to take on the burden of leadership in addressing the world's social injustices when he said that "it is in your hands now"; and

WHEREAS, Nelson Mandela International Day is more than a celebration of his life and legacy, it is a global movement to honor his life's work and to change the world for the better.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council supports the goals of Nelson Mandela International Day, recognizes the life and legacy of Nelson Mandela, and commits to honoring Mr. Mandela's life's work of changing the world for the better.

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUL 16 2020

READ AND PASSED

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Mayor
Date: 7/22/20