

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 708

Approved December 20, 2002

RESOLVED, That the Members of the Providence City Council hereby Extend Sincere Congratulations to Mary Morgan for her dedicated service as a member of the 11<sup>th</sup> Ward Democratic Committee, serving from 1954-2002.

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MAYOR

  
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Acting Council President Young

ON SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 1999, AT 4 O'CLOCK P.M., THE ELEVENTH WARD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE IS SPONSORING A MARY MORGAN APPRECIATION DINNER AT TWIN OAKS RESTAURANT IN CRANSTON, R. I.

MARY MORGAN, OF 77 DABOLL STREET, PROVIDENCE, IS A LIFELONG SOUTHSIDE (ELMWOOD) RESIDENT, WHO HAS BEEN A STAUNCH DEMOCRAT. A GRADUATE OF CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL, MARY MORGAN CONTINUED HER STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND. SHE RETIRED AS AN EMPLOYEE OF ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL, AND WAS THE MANAGER FOR OVER FORTY YEARS OF THE STEWART PHARMACY IN SOUTH PROVIDENCE, A BUSINESS OWNED BY HER UNCLE, RAYMOND FRICKER, WHO HAD A LONG, DISTINGUISHED CAREER AS THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PROVIDENCE SCHOOL COMMITTEE. A STREET NEXT TO CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL WAS NAMED FOR HER UNCLE (FRICKER ST.) A COMMUNICANT OF THE ST. FRANCIS CHAPEL, MARY MORGAN ATTENDS MANY AFFAIRS AND FUNCTIONS ACCOMPANIED BY HER NINETY - NINE YEAR OLD AUNT, MRS. FRICKER.

MARY MORGAN HAS REPRESENTED THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY IN THE ELEVENTH WARD FOR THE PAST FORTY FIVE YEARS. SHE HAS SERVED ON THE ELEVENTH WARD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE LONGER THAN ANYONE ELSE IN THE ELEVENTH WARD. AS AN ELECTED WARD COMMITTEE MEMBER, MARY MORGAN HAS SERVED AS THE WARD COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, WARD COMMITTEE VICE CHAIRMAN, WARD COMMITTEE SECRETARY AND, WHEN LAWRENCE MCGARRY OF SOUTH PROVIDENCE SERVED AS THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE DEMOCRATIC CHAIRMAN, MARY MORGAN WAS ELECTED TO SERVED AS THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE DEMOCRATIC TREASURER. THIS WAS DURING THE MAYOR JOE DOORLEY ADMINISTRATION. IN 1958, MARY MORGAN WAS THE FIRST DEMOCRATIC WOMAN IN THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE TO RUN FOR A STATE GENERAL OFFICE WHEN SHE RAN FOR SECRETARY OF STATE.

MARY SERVED MANY CITY ADMINISTRATIONS WITH DISTINCTION. DURING HER TIME SHE HAS WITNESSED VAST CHANGES IN LOCAL, STATE & NATIONAL POLITICS, BUT, THE ONE CONSTANT ON THE SOUTHSIDE SCENE HAS BEEN MARY MORGAN'S DEEP COMMITMENT TO WARD POLITICS. MARY MADE A RECENT DECISION TO RETIRE AS SECRETARY OF THE WARD COMMITTEE, A POSITION SHE HELD FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. NOW THE TIME HAS COME FOR THE WARD COMMITTEE TO RECOGNIZE MARY MORGAN'S INVOLVEMENT IN OUR WARD.

THE ELEVENTH WARD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE WANTED TO SHOW THEIR APPRECIATION TO MARY MORGAN FOR ALL THAT SHE HAS DONE FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, AND FOR WARD ELEVEN DURING THE PAST HALF CENTURY. MARY HAS NEVER MISSED A PRIMARY, A GENERAL ELECTION, A SPECIAL ELECTION, NOR MISSED A VOTE, OR FAILED TO ATTEND ANY OF THE NUMEROUS MEETINGS THAT ARE REQUIRED WHILE SERVING ON THE ELEVENTH WARD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE.

FOR THESE REASONS, AND FOR MANY, MANY MORE, WE, THE MEMBERS OF THE ELEVENTH WARD DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE WANT TO TAKE THIS SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY ON SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 1999, AT TWIN OAKS RESTAURANT TO PERSONALLY THANK MARY MORGAN, AS A TRUE PUBLIC SERVANT, FOR ALL OF HER WORK, HER DEDICATION, AND COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE IN HER WARD, AND THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE. TODAY, IS MARY MORGAN'S DAY, A DAY WHEN WE CAN EXPRESS OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR A JOB WELL DONE OVER THE PAST HALF CENTURY. TODAY IS THE DAY WHEN WE WILL TELL MARY MORGAN THAT WE RECOGNIZE WHAT SHE HAS DONE ON BEHALF OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY, AND THE PEOPLE IN HER COMMUNITY.

IN CLOSING, WE EXTEND OUR SINCERE BEST WISHES TO MARY MORGAN AS WE RECOGNIZE HER FOR HER DEDICATION AND HARD WORK. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING MARY MORGAN CONTINUE THE "PEOPLE'S BUSINESS" ON THE SOUTHSIDE OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK, MARY MORGAN, AND MAY YOU HAVE GOOD LUCK, AND GOOD HEALTH IN THE FUTURE.

THANKS A MILLION FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR US IN THE ELEVENTH WARD.