

THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

No. 532

Approved September 9, 1977

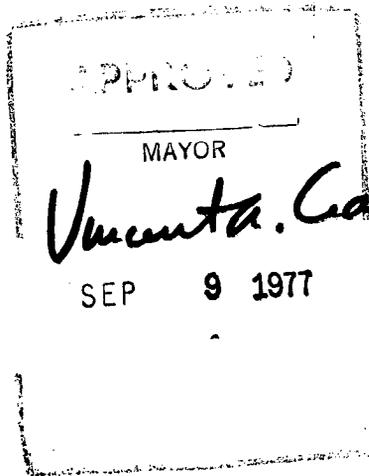
RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Public Safety is requested to increase the Police Patrol in the immediate area of Appleton Street and Delaine Street, being the Manton Section of the Twelfth Ward of Providence.

IN CITY COUNCIL

SEP 1 1977  
READ AND PASSED

*Robert J. Hayton*  
PRES.

*Rose M. Mendonca* CLERK



*Leo P. Trambukis*  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY



*Leonard W. Reilly*  
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY  
209 FOUNTAIN ST., PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND 02903

October 17, 1977

Mrs. Rose M. Mendonca  
City Clerk  
Department of the City Clerk  
City Hall

re: Resolution No. 532  
Approved: Sept. 9, 1977

Dear Mrs. Mendonca:

The following is a response to the above resolution (see enclosed copy) and sets forth information from Colonel Robert E. Ricci which, to me, clearly indicates that the Police Department certainly has given cognizance to any complaints or requests originating from the residents of the Appleton - Delaine St. section of our city.

For the past several months police department personnel have met with concerned citizens of this area. For example, they met with members of the "Upper Olneyville United Neighbors (CENO group)" on September 8, 1977, the day before this resolution was approved. The subject complaint at this meeting were parking conditions in that area, the residents saying that they were experiencing some difficulty driving through narrow streets because of illegally parked cars. Overnight parking problems was another similar complaint brought forward at this same meeting.

The next day, September 9th, police began stepping up their enforcement activity in this area and the result was a substantial increase in tagging of cars found parked in violation of both types of parking regulations. The increased enforcement work of the police produced complaints from both businessmen and area residents that they, themselves, were being tagged. Colonel Ricci and I are confident that this problem has been reduced substantially (if not eliminated) at this writing; nonetheless, police are continuing their surveillance over these possible violations.

Another meeting, that of the "Lower Olneyville United Neighbors" organization was held at the Nickerson House on September 29th, and police representatives attended this meeting. Listed on the agenda prepared by the organization for this meeting were five items, one of which (and listed as an achievement or "victory" of the organization) was that of "increased police protection". Moreover, the moderator at this meeting stated publicly that he had noticed higher visibility of the police in the area which tends to corroborate the agenda statement.

Another agenda matter at this same meeting (September 29th) related to the citizens' request for the assignment of a crossing guard on Chaffee St. to serve the students of St. Adalbert's School. Police responded to that request the next day or two thereafter by assigning a regular police officer here until the services of a school crossing guard could be obtained. I, personally, reiterated the police department position toward this request when I met with parents from this area at St. Adalbert's Church Hall on the evening of October 5th. The parents confirmed to me the services of the police officer placed there by Colonel Ricci three or four days previously.

Referring again to the September 29th meeting, the command police officer in attendance at this meeting heard many in the audience substantiate the increased police activity in their area. As a matter of fact, one young man stood up during the meeting and began complaining about so much police presence in this neighborhood until he was ruled out of order by the person chairing the meeting.

Colonel Ricci and I are convinced that there has been increased police protection and surveillance in this area, and I think the Honorable Members of the City Council will have to agree with this statement in view of the above information.

Respectfully submitted,

*Leo P. Trambukis*

LEO P. TRAMBUKIS

Commissioner of Public Safety

cc: Colonel Ricci

enclosure

City of Providence



Rhode Island

Department of City Clerk

MEMORANDUM

DATE: **October 20, 1977**

TO: **Councilman Timothy J. Ahern and Councilman Thomas M. Glavin**

SUBJECT: **RESOLUTION NO. 532**

CONSIDERED BY: **City Clerk, Rose M. Mendonca**

DISPOSITION: **Attached is report from Commissioner of Public Safety, Leo P. Trambukis, on the above subject, which was submitted to the City Council by yourself.**

*Rose M. Mendonca*  
City Clerk