

Resolution Concerning Development of Policies to Promote Community Safety

WHEREAS, the Providence Police Department is charged with protecting the public safety, a difficult task that can involve balancing the interests and rights of different communities, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department's difficult work will be enhanced with the development of written policies consistent with national best practices,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Providence City Council urges the Providence Police Department to develop and/or review written policies in the following areas to ensure they comply with national best practices:

- a. Maintenance of traffic stop data;
- b. Use of video cameras;
- c. Maintenance of gang lists and/or databases;
- d. Accommodating individuals with limited English proficiency, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Providence City Council believes that an interval of six (6) months is sufficient to develop and/or review written policies in these areas, and that the publication of these policies is consistent with the public interest, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Providence City Council hereby urges the Providence Police Department to develop written policies in these four (4) areas and publish them on its website and elsewhere within six (6) months of passage of this Resolution.