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The Committee on Finance meets this day at 12:00 o'clock Noon. Present: Chairman Mariani and Messrs. Laudati, Moakler, Presel and Lazarus. Budget Officer Moran is also present. (James J. Kelly, Assistant Clerk)

Budget Officer Moran outlines the following Ordinances:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 128, BY ADDING THE SUM OF ONE THOUSAND (\$1,000) DOLLARS TO THE APPROPRIATION CONTAINED THEREIN FOR CITY COUNCIL, ITEM 3. (In City Council April 7, 1949. Read and passed the first time)

The sum of \$1,000.00 is an additional appropriation for City Council, Item 3, to provide for the expenses to be incurred in connection with the coming Bond Sale in May.

On motion of Mr. Presel, seconded by Mr. Lazarus, it is voted to return this Ordinance to the City Council with recommendation of passage a second time.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 128, BY ADDING THE SUM OF TWELVE THOUSAND (\$12,000) DOLLARS TO THE APPROPRIATION CONTAINED THEREIN FOR PROVIDENCE RE-DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, ITEM 1. (In City Council April 7, 1949. Read and passed the first time)

The appropriation of \$12,000.00 is made for the Redevelopment Agency, Item 1, to enable the Agency to hire appraisal experts on Real Estate and also to engage the services of Engineers to make borings, etc., necessary to land redevelopment.

On motion of Mr. Presel, seconded by Mr. Lazarus, it is voted to return this Ordinance to the City Council with recommendation of passage a second time.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 129 SECTIONS 30, 44 and 63-A, OF THE ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PROVIDENCE AS APPROVED SEPTEMBER 3, 1948. (In City Council April 7, 1949. Read and passed the first time)

Section 30. Air Pollution Division. This adds one Clerk-Typist I and increases from five to six, the number of employees in the Division.

Section 44. Health Department. This adds one Clerk I and increases from seventy-seven to seventy-eight the number of employees in this Department.

Section 63-A. Traffic Engineering Department. This adds one Clerk-Stenographer II and increases from twenty-eight to twenty-nine, the number of employees in this Department.

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COMMUNICATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CONTROLLER.

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Committee on Finance
Valentine Mariani, Chairman
Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the resolution of the Finance Committee passed January 29, 1929, the undersigned designated by the City Controller and the City Treasurer, have counted and burned, paid and cancelled semi-annual coupons as follows:

Bridge Serial Loan	Due March 1, 1954	130
Emergency Unemployment Relief	" January 1, 1951	280
" " "	" February 1, 1957	1466
" " "	" May 1, 1958	533
" " "	" February 1, 1959	2283
" " "	" August 1, 1959	2499
" " "	" April 1, 1963	1600
Emergency Unemployment Relief Serial	" April 1, 1961	2015
Funding Serial Loan	" June 1, 1965	915
Highway Loan	" June 1, 1950	500
" " "	" June 1, 1950	55
" " "	" May 1, 1952	500
" " "	" February 1, 1957	1325
Highway Serial Loan	" March 1, 1949	30
" " "	" January 1, 1951	420
" " "	" April 1, 1952	125
" " "	" May 1, 1958	272
Hospital Serial Loan	" June 1, 1950	50
Point Street Bridge Draw Loan	" March 1, 1949	875
P.W.A. Municipal Building (Combination Police and Fire Station Serial Loan)	" February 1, 1959	875
P.W.A. Municipal Dock (Docket #1132 F Serial)	" September 1, 1958	1204
P.W.A. School Loan (Docket #6579 Serial)	" January 1, 1965	2568
Public Improvement Loan	" June 1, 1950	300
" " "	" June 1, 1950	53
Public Improvement Loan Serial	" June 1, 1965	3153
Refunding Series 11 Loan	" June 1, 1971	2322
" " 11-B Loan	" June 1, 1972	569
Rehabilitation for Hurricane Damage Loan	" August 1, 1964	1939
School Loan	" May 2, 1952	500
" " "	" April 1, 1953	581
" " "	" April 1, 1954	135
" " "	" Oct. 1, 1954	484
" " "	" May 1, 1957	821
" " "	" March 1, 1959	1530
School Serial Loan	" January 1, 1951	510
" " "	" December 1, 1959	615
" " "	" July 1, 1961	1324
" " "	" April 1, 1962	524
" " "	" March 1, 1964	495
Sewer Loan	" March 1, 1949	660
" " "	" June 1, 1950	55
" " "	" June 1, 1950	200
" " "	" April 1, 1952	85
" " "	" April 1, 1954	352
" " "	" May 1, 1957	694
Sewer Serial Loan	" December 1, 1949	100
" " "	" March 1, 1954	130
Water Supply Loan	" January 3, 1952	1815
" " "	" July 1, 1956	635
" " "	" February 1, 1962	1082
" " "	" May 1, 1962	1595

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Water Supply Loan	Due December 1, 1962	2195
" " "	" February 1, 1964	2560
" " "	" October 1, 1964	1252
" " "	" July 1, 1965	4479
" " "	" January 3, 1968	1504
	Total---	<u>55768</u>

County of Providence, State of Rhode Island

Sworn to before me this 11th day of April 1949.

/s/ J. Sherman McGowan
Notary Public

/s/ James E. Hartigan
Asst. City Controller

/s/ David R. McGovern
Deputy City Treasurer

On motion of Mr. Presel, seconded by Mr. Lazarus, the communication is ordered received and placed on file.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PROVIDENCE DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION.

On motion of Mr. Presel, seconded by Mr. Lazarus, the communication is ordered received and placed on file.

Messrs. Laudati and Moakler join the Committee at this time.

The Clerk informs Chairman Mariani that Finance Director Reynolds asks the Committee to consider the Ordinance which appropriates the sum of \$1500.00 to an Account to be known as "Innocenzi O. DeClemente, Father of Joseph DeClemente", the Ordinance having been drawn by Mr. Reynolds at the request of Councilman D'Abate.

Chairman Mariani submits the request to the Committee and it is unanimously agreed to consider this matter. The Clerk reads the following Ordinance and accompanying letter:

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

SECTION 1. Chapter 128 of the Ordinances of the City of Providence as approved September 3, 1948 and entitled: "An Ordinance Making Appropriation of \$22,681,319.81 for the Support of the City Government for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 1949, as amended, is hereby further amended by appropriating the sum of Fifteen Hundred (\$1500) Dollars to an account to be known as Innocenzi O. DeClemente, Father of Joseph DeClemente.

SECTION 2. The said sum of Fifteen Hundred (\$1500) Dollars as thus added and appropriated shall be charged to the General Fund from funds not otherwise appropriated.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

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The Honorable, The City Council,
Committee on Finance
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island

Gentlemen:

The City Council of the City of Providence, by resolution, authorized and directed the City Solicitor to appear in the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island to urge passage of an Act "Authorizing the City of Providence to appropriate not exceeding fifteen hundred (\$1500) dollars to Innocenzio DeClemente, father of Joseph DeClemente".

As a result of this, the General Assembly at its January session, A.D. 1949, did enact the following: "Section 1: The City Council of the City of Providence is hereby authorized and empowered to appropriate and pay to Innocenzio DeClemente, father of Joseph DeClemente, deceased, such sum not exceeding fifteen hundred (\$1500) dollars as said City of Providence may deem expedient as reimbursement for medical and funeral expenses incurred on behalf of the said Joseph DeClemente, who died as a result of injuries received in a gymnasium accident at Mt. Pleasant High School in Providence. Section 2: This act shall take effect upon its passage".

In consequence of this act, I drafted an appropriation ordinance at the request of Councilman D'Abate which is now before your body for consideration.

I would draw your attention to the fact that this accident and death did not result from any negligence on the part of the City and according to the City Solicitor's office, the City of Providence has no legal responsibility in connection with this incident. I wish to further advise that there have been numerous cases similar to this which have been seriously considered by the City Council Committees and for valid reasons, failed passage.

While I have deep sympathy for the family of the deceased boy and appreciate the interest shown by Councilman D'Abate in this matter, I firmly believe that to make an outright grant as directed by this ordinance would establish a rather dangerous precedent and would thereafter place the City in a position of assuming financial responsibility for each injury and fatality occurring in public buildings or on any City property.

For these reasons, I believe that the Ordinance should be disapproved.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Walter H. Reynolds.
Walter H. Reynolds, Finance Director

A protracted discussion ensues and subsequently, on motion of Mr. Presel, seconded by Mr. Laudati, it is voted that the Ordinance amending the Appropriation Ordinance, Chapter 128, by appropriating the sum of \$1500.00 to an account to be known as "Innocenzi O. DeClemente, Father of Joseph DeClemente", be indefinitely postponed.

Adjournment is taken at 12:15 o'clock p.m.

Copied D.K.M.

Compared J.F.S.


Assistant Clerk.