



RESOLUTION

in support of the 2026 Central Falls Legislative Agenda
(House Bill Nos. 8300, 7461, 7454 and Local Control bill)
Senate Bill Nos. 3087, 2087, 2226 and Local Control bill)

Introduced by Councilperson Robert Ferri (by request)

April 13, 2025

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 3087 (Acosta) and House Bill 8300 (Giraldo) authorize the City of Central Falls to issue bonds and notes in an amount not exceeding \$25,000,000 to finance the construction, renovation, improvement, alteration, repair furnishing and equipping of schools and school facilities in the city; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill TBD (Acosta) and House Bill TBD (Giraldo), in accordance with the final report of the Special Joint Legislative Commission to Study the Return of Central Falls Schools to Local Governance, return control of the Central Falls School District to local governance, effective July 1, 2026, and amend R.I.G.L. § 16-7.2-6.(d) to establish a predictable and sustainable funding framework for the Central Falls Stabilization Fund; and.

WHEREAS, House Bill 7461 (Giraldo) and Senate Bill 2087 (Acosta) amend R.I.G.L. 45-13-5.1 to include municipal detention centers as entities for which the State must reimburse a municipality in its PILOT appropriations; and

WHEREAS, House Bill 7454 (Giraldo) and Senate Bill 2226 (Acosta) will amend the student success factor to more accurately reflect the status of low-income students in Central Falls and compensate the School District accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Central Falls City Council enthusiastically supports these House Bills and Senate Bills and encourages the General Assembly to pass this legislation and the Governor to sign this legislation into law; and

LET IT BE FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the City Clerk to the Governor, to all of the Honorable Representatives and Senators representing the City of Central Falls in the General Assembly, to the relevant Committee Chairs and to the Honorable Rhode Island Speaker of the House and to the Honorable Rhode Island Senate President and to the Honorable Governor of Rhode Island.



Alberto Rivas-Lugo
City Council President Pro Tempore



Alberto DeBurgo
City Clerk