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East Providence supports new business, PolyCraft USA through purchase

EAST PROVIDENCE, RI – The City of East Providence is doubling down on its commitment to supporting new and innovative businesses throughout our community while also saving taxpayers money through the recent purchase of a new utility body from a local manufacturing startup for the Department of Public Works.

The City of East Providence has sent a 2011 Ford F-250 with more than 124,000 miles to receive the new utility body which will help give the vehicle an additional 10 to 15 years of longevity.

“East Providence is happy to support a local small business that is innovating the utility truck body industry to create more durable and lighter equipment that will prolong the life of our vehicles and trucks while also being energy efficient,” Mayor Bob DaSilva said. “When we heard about this opportunity, we wanted to partner with PolyCraft to turn an aging 2011 Ford F-250, where the utility body was rusting and falling apart, and give the vehicle renewed life while also having the versatility to transfer the utility bed to another vehicle if needed.”

PolyCraft USA, based in Riverside, is bringing to the market its revolutionary utility body, “The Patriot.” The Patriot is a cutting-edge polypropylene truck body designed to set a new standard in the industry. It is constructed from robust 1/2” and 3/4” copolymer sheets that are UV-Stabilized.

“Starting PolyCraft in East Providence has been a journey of dedication and innovation, driven by a vision to create groundbreaking, sustainable products that keep our hardworking community safe,” Marc Testa, owner of PolyCraft USA said.

“Collaborating with the City of East Providence to introduce the Patriot truck body to the market exemplifies our commitment to local growth, environmental responsibility, and the safety of those who rely on our products daily.” “This partnership not only supports our mission but also sets a strong foundation for future business development and community engagement,” Testa added.