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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

**HOUSE RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL OF 2015 TO BE THE "MONTH OF THE
MILITARY CHILD" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Malik, Gallison, Azzinaro, Fellela, and Lancia

Date Introduced: March 31, 2015

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, The Month of April, 2015, will be celebrated across the country as the
2 "Month of the Military Child" by the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA). Every
3 day, military families across the nation make numerous sacrifices to support the men and women
4 in our armed forces, the people who we depend on to defend and preserve the freedoms and
5 liberties that have made our nation the most free nation on earth; and

6 WHEREAS, On a regular basis, military families move around the nation and the globe,
7 following their military serving spouses and parents. Military children change schools frequently
8 and this can be a difficult and stressful period for both the children and their parents. The average
9 military family faces two moves during a child's high school years, and on average these children
10 will attend six to nine different schools from kindergarten through the twelfth grade; and

11 WHEREAS, During the month of April, there will be numerous special activities
12 celebrating the Month of the Military Child. PURPLE UP! Day will be celebrated by the DoDEA
13 on April 15, 2015, where everyone will be encouraged to wear purple to celebrate military
14 families. Other activities in April will include Patches of Honor, where kids will be invited to
15 submit their own design of a Patch of Honor, saluting military children at sporting events, hosting
16 school assemblies in honor of military children, and other assorted special events that focus on
17 celebrating and honoring military families; now, therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
19 Providence Plantations hereby declares April, 2015, to be the "Month of the Military Child" in

1 our state; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Rosemarie K. Kraeger, Superintendent
4 Commission Vice-Chairman, MIC Commissioner - Rhode Island.

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