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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING AND CONGRATULATING LIEUTENANT COLONEL PAUL M. KENNEDY ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE UNITED STATES ARMY RESERVE AFTER ALMOST THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED AND DEVOTED SERVICE TO OUR NATION AND THE CITIZENS OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Representative Peter F. Kilmartin

Date Introduced: February 03, 2010

Referred To: House read and passed

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Paul M. Kennedy began his distinguished military 1 2 career when he joined the United States Army in 1973. Since then, he has served with honor and integrity in the United States Army, Rhode Island Army National Guard, and the United States 3 4 Army Reserve; and 5 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Kennedy has served his nation and the State of Rhode 6 Island with distinction in a variety of positions. With the Rhode Island Army National Guard, he served as the Brigade S-2 for the 43rd Military Police Brigade and Assistant J-2 Chief of the 7 8 Security Branch. With the United States Army Reserve, he served as Deputy Commander, 1st Brigade (Military Intelligence) and 100th Division (Operational Support); and 9 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Colonel Kennedy, as Deputy Commander of the 1st Brigade, led 10 the Brigade through a difficult transformation that realigned five MI Battalions and a Brigade 11 HHC under the 100th Division (OS). He accomplished this while mitigating unit stress, increasing 12 13 unit morale, and improving overall unit strength by almost 20 percent. Lieutenant Colonel 14 Kennedy's dedication to duty, high standards of personal conduct, and genuine concern for the 15 welfare of soldiers were key to the overall success of the 1st Brigade's mission; and WHEREAS, The United States Army will sorely miss Lieutenant Colonel Kennedy's 16 commitment to excellence, devotion to duty, and innovative leadership. His stellar duty 17

performance and superior contributions reflect great credit upon himself, the 1st Brigade (MI), the

- 1 Military Intelligence Corps, the United States Army, and the Rhode Island Army National Guard;
- 2 now, therefore be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
- 4 Providence Plantations hereby honors and congratulates Lieutenant Colonel Paul M. Kennedy on
- 5 his retirement from the United States Army Reserve after almost thirty-seven years of
- 6 distinguished service to our nation and the citizens of Rhode Island. We wish him a most happy
- 7 and jo yous retirement and continued success in all future endeavors; and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
- 9 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Lieutenant Colonel Paul M. Kennedy.

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