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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

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

**CONGRATULATING ROBERT MARTIN , CHIEF OF THE BRISTOL FIRE DEPARTMENT,
ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER MANY YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE TO THE
CITIZENS OF BRISTOL**

Introduced By: Representatives Gallison, Marshall, and Reilly

Date Introduced: February 09, 2016

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Bristol Fire Chief Robert Martin is retiring after more than ten years of
2 exemplary service to the Town of Bristol. He made the move from volunteer firefighter to Chief
3 when he was hired for this position in 2005. Prior to his promotion, he had served as a volunteer
4 firefighter, steadily rising through the ranks from 1st Driver to Captain to Assistant Chief, Deputy
5 Chief and, finally, Chief of the Bristol Fire Department; and

6 WHEREAS, Chief Martin had numerous notable achievements during his tenure as the
7 Fire Chief in Bristol. Under his leadership and guidance, a new headquarters building was built
8 and several new pieces of apparatus were commissioned and acquired. As Chief, he fostered a
9 strong relationship with the Police Department and had great cooperation and rapport with the
10 Warren Fire Department. His foremost concern as Fire Chief was always the public health and
11 safety of the residents of Bristol; and

12 WHEREAS, Chief Martin served our nation with honor and integrity for ten years as a
13 member of the United States Navy. He was a submariner and attained a Bachelor's degree in
14 Computer Engineering from Roger Williams University; and

15 WHEREAS, Chief Martin has been married to Mary Martin for forty-three years, and has
16 a daughter, Rhiannon Martin. He is an avid golfer and is a passionate fan of the New York
17 Yankees and the New York Giants; now, therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
19 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Bristol Fire Chief Robert Martin on his retirement

1 after many years of devoted and faithful service to the Town of Bristol. We wish him a most
2 happy retirement and continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
4 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Chief Robert Martin, Bristol Fire Department.

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