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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

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

**DECLARING TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2014, AS "NO MORE DAY" IN THE STATE OF
RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Fox, E Coderre, Blazejewski, Ruggiero, and Ackerman

Date Introduced: March 11, 2014

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, The State of Rhode Island is home to an estimated 205,000 victims, both
2 male and female, who, during their lifetimes, experience rape, physical violence, and/or stalking
3 by an intimate partner; and

4 WHEREAS, Domestic violence in Rhode Island poses a major public health crisis, not
5 only for the significant others who fall victim to these horrific acts, but also for the children who
6 suffer through the experience; and

7 WHEREAS, In 2011, Rhode Island police officers responded to 7,883 domestic violence
8 related calls, and children were present in almost 2,100 of these incidents; and

9 WHEREAS, All too often, there are many more of these heinous crimes that don't get
10 reported because of victims' fear, a threat from the guilty spouse, or, in some cases, because of
11 death resulting from the crime; and

12 WHEREAS, "NO MORE Day" serves as a symbol of commitment to ending domestic
13 violence and sexual assault in Rhode Island and across the nation; and

14 WHEREAS, "NO MORE Day" will also serve as a national symbol to bring awareness to
15 issues of domestic violence and sexual assault that all too often get overlooked; now, therefore be
16 it

17 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
18 Providence Plantations hereby recognizes March 11, 2014, as "NO MORE Day," a day that will
19 be known as the nation's call to end domestic violence and sexual assault; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
2 submit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Rhode Island Coalition Against Domestic
3 Violence.

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