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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES TO THE FOLAN FAMILY ON THE PASSING
OF RETIRED SERGEANT JAMES J. FOLAN OF THE PAWTUCKET POLICE
DEPARTMENT

Introduced By: Representative Raymond H. Johnston

Date Introduced: March 19, 2014

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, James J. Folan, son of the late William and Anabelle (McLaughlin) Folan,
2 was born in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. He passed away on March 14, 2014. He was the beloved
3 husband of Catherine E. (Gibbons) Folan for 67 years; and

4 WHEREAS, Sergeant Folan, prior to becoming a police officer, served our nation with
5 honor and valor in World War II, as a member of the United States Navy. After the war, he
6 graduated from the New England Institute of Applied Art and Sciences and received a license in
7 embalming; and

8 WHEREAS, Shortly thereafter, Sergeant Folan became a member of the Pawtucket
9 Police Department, serving as an officer for over 37 years and rising to the rank of Sergeant. He
10 was a beloved and highly respected member of the Pawtucket Police Department and served the
11 citizens of Pawtucket with vigor, honor and integrity; and

12 WHEREAS, Off duty, Sergeant Folan enjoyed spending time with his sons and
13 participating in a variety of sporting activities. He was a volunteer coach for the Darlington
14 American Little League, the Fairlawn Football Cardinals, and the Pawtucket Crusaders; and

15 WHEREAS, Sergeant Folan leaves behind his wife Catherine, and his sons Francis W.
16 Folan, and his wife Carol, Michael P. Folan, and his wife Peggy, and Thomas J. Folan, and his
17 wife Kristine. He also leaves behind a brother, Richard Folan, six grandchildren and two great
18 grandchildren. He was the father of the late James J. Folan, Jr.; now, therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and

1 Providence Plantations hereby expresses its deepest condolences to the Folan family on the
2 passing of James J. Folan; 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 Catherine E. Folan and Family.

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