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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018**

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

**HONORING DEBORAH DEBARE FOR HER DEVOTED SERVICE AS EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR OF THE RHODE ISLAND COALITION AGAINST DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

Introduced By: Representatives Ruggiero, Mattiello, Shekarchi, Tanzi, and Hearn

Date Introduced: March 28, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Americans hold dear to the belief that one person can make a difference.

2 The life and accomplishments of Deb DeBare stand as testament to those beliefs; and

3 WHEREAS, For the past twenty-three years, since 1995, Deb DeBare has served as the

4 Executive Director of The Rhode Island Coalition Against Domestic Violence (RICADV); and

5 WHEREAS, During Ms. DeBare's tenure, the RICADV has earned national recognition

6 for the creation of innovative domestic violence prevention initiatives, ground-breaking

7 communications work, and the establishment of Sisters Overcoming Abusive Relationships, an

8 award-winning taskforce, to name but a few of its myriad accomplishments; and

9 WHEREAS, Ms. DeBare's success wasn't simply a result of her immense talents, but was

10 also due to her inner strength, passion and determination, and a staff and board that have worked

11 collectively and proficiently to gain passage for landmark legislation to help victims of domestic

12 violence and their families, to establish a Domestic Violence Prevention Fund, and to collaborate

13 and facilitate the creation of five new affiliate member agencies; and

14 WHEREAS, Deb DeBare is a remarkable and caring woman who is a paradigm of the

15 very best leadership qualities. She leaves a legacy of immeasurable achievements for the people

16 of Rhode Island and she is eminently worthy of our gratitude and acknowledgement; now,

17 therefore be it

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

19 Providence Plantations hereby honors and thanks Deborah DeBare for more than two decades of

1 dedicated service with the Rhode Island Coalition Against Domestic Violence and moreover  
2 congratulates her on her new position as Senior Deputy Director at the National Network to End  
3 Domestic Violence. We furthermore extend best wishes for her continued success, fulfillment,  
4 and good health; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
6 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Deborah DeBare.

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