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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

**RECOGNIZING AND THANKING ROSEMARY L. BOWERS FOR HER GENEROSITY
AND KINDNESS IN GRANTING THE WISHES OF CHILDREN WITH LIFE
THREATENING ILLNESSES**

Introduced By: Representatives Tobon, Shanley, Phillips, Marshall, and Bennett

Date Introduced: April 11, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Rosemary Bowers, better known as "the Fairy Godmother," has devoted
2 more than thirty-five years of her life to granting the wishes of children with life threatening
3 illnesses; and

4 WHEREAS, In 1982, Rosemary founded and served as Executive Director of "A Wish
5 Come True," the 1st wish granting organization in the State of Rhode Island. In 2013, after
6 parting ways with the initial organization, she founded "Rosemary's Wish Kids, Inc." (RWK); and

7 WHEREAS, RWK is a nonprofit wish-granting organization that makes dreams come
8 true for children, aged three through twenty-one, from Rhode Island and Southeastern
9 Massachusetts. It is the only organization that grants the wishes of children who are over the age
10 of eighteen; and

11 WHEREAS, Whether it involves a child's wish to go to Disney, have a specially
12 equipped bicycle, or a backyard playhouse, through donations, raffles, and various fundraisers, as
13 well as the support of a totally volunteer staff, Rosemary magically makes their wishes come true;
14 and

15 WHEREAS, Rosemary Bowers truly makes a difference for children who have already
16 faced and continue to endure a lifetime of obstacles, and she is deserving of our adulation and
17 gratitude; now, therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
19 Providence Plantations hereby recognizes and thanks Rosemary L. Bowers for her generosity and

1 kindness in granting the wishes of children with life threatening illnesses; and be it further
2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Rosemary L. Bowers.

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