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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

**COMMENDING THE FOLLOWING RECIPIENTS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL
OF RHODE ISLAND EDUCATION FUND'S JOHN H. CHAFEE CONSERVATION
LEADERSHIP AWARD, GIVEN BETWEEN 2000 AND 2013**

Introduced By: Representatives Handy, Walsh, Lombardi, Ruggiero, and Tanzi

Date Introduced: April 30, 2014

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Rhode Island's environment is critical to the state's natural beauty, wildlife,
2 public health, and economic activity; and

3 WHEREAS, Leaders in the nonprofit, municipal government, and business communities
4 have played a key role in protecting Rhode Island's environment and preserving this natural
5 heritage for future generations; and

6 WHEREAS, The Environment Council of Rhode Island Education Fund educated Rhode
7 Island's citizens about environmental health and natural resource protection and restoration; and

8 WHEREAS, The Environmental Council of Rhode Island Education Fund's annual John
9 H. Chafee Conservation Leadership Award honors the memory of the late Senator Chafee and his
10 dedication to protecting and preserving the natural environment; and

11 WHEREAS, The John H. Chafee Conservation Leadership Awards celebrate their
12 fifteenth year in 2014; and

13 WHEREAS, The John H. Chafee Conservation Leadership Award recognizes Rhode
14 Island organizations, municipal governments, and businesses for their efforts toward improving
15 the health of the Rhode Island environment; now, therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
17 Providence Plantations hereby commends the following recipients of the Environment Council of
18 Rhode Island Education Fund's John H. Chafee Conservation Leadership Award between 2000
19 and 2013: the South Kingstown Land Trust, for open space preservation; CleanScape, Inc., for

1 commercial recycling and landscape maintenance; the Town of Coventry, for land conservation,
2 wetland protection, and educational outreach; the City of Warwick, for its energy education and
3 management program; the Norman Bird Sanctuary, for its Third Beach land acquisition project;
4 the URI Center for Pollution Prevention; Bill's Auto Parts, for auto parts recycling; the Little
5 Compton Agricultural Conservancy Trust; JTJ Investments, LLC, for its energy-efficient office
6 building; the Franklin Farm Preservation Association, for its community garden; Kids First, for
7 the "Rhode Island Farm Produce to School Lunch Program" in Pawtucket; Toray Industries, for
8 its corporate sustainability program; and the Aquidneck Land Trust, for the Sakonnet Greenway
9 Trail Expansion; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
11 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the above named honorees, as well as Jamie
12 Rhodes, President of the Environment Council of Rhode Island, and Meg Kerr, President of the
13 Environment Council of Rhode Island Education Fund.

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