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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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

**HONORING REPRESENTATIVE J. RUSSELL JACKSON FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Fox, Mattiello, Newberry, O`Neill, and E Coderre

Date Introduced: June 13, 2012

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with regret and sadness that this House bids farewell to our good friend
2 and colleague, Representative J. Russell Jackson; and

3 WHEREAS, Upon graduation from Rogers High School, Russ Jackson earned his
4 Bachelor's degree from the University of Rhode Island and his Juris Doctor from Suffolk
5 University. He maintains a flourishing legal practice with the law firm of Jackson O'Neill, LLC;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, On November 2nd of 2004, The Honorable J. Russell Jackson was elected
8 to the Rhode Island House of Representatives, representing the people of Middletown and
9 Newport in what is now District 73; and

10 WHEREAS, During his eight years with the Rhode Island General Assembly,
11 Representative Jackson has not only earned the respect of his peers, but also the trust and
12 confidence of his constituents; and

13 WHEREAS, Representative Jackson has been instrumental in sponsoring and supporting
14 numerous pieces of legislation, including a referendum for the voters to expand the Newport
15 Grand facility, a bill to enable the construction of the SSV Oliver Hazard Perry, legislation to
16 make the state's biodiesel tax incentive more effective, and legislation to give tax assessors more
17 flexibility in how they determine the real estate value of time-share developments, to name just a
18 few; and

19 WHEREAS, Holding numerous titles and responsibilities during his tenure with the

1 House, Representative Jackson served as Co-Vice Chair of the House Finance Committee, Vice
2 Chair of the House Rules Committee, as a member of the House Commission to Study Municipal
3 Financial Integrity, and as a member of the Joint Defense Economy Planning Commission; and

4 WHEREAS, Within his community, Representative Jackson served on Newport's
5 Planning Board and as a member of the Newport Charter Commission; and

6 WHEREAS, In addition to his law practice and the many hours he spends at the State
7 House, Representative Jackson is married to his lovely wife, Karin, and together they have three
8 children, Karolyn, Tanner, and Elizabeth; and

9 WHEREAS, Representative Jackson's leadership and tireless devotion to the citizens of
10 the Ocean State have earned him our unqualified admiration and loyalty, and he will most
11 assuredly be missed; now, therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
13 Providence Plantations hereby honors Representative J. Russell Jackson as he concludes his
14 service in the Rhode Island General Assembly. We thank him for a job well done, and extend our
15 sincere wishes for his continued health, happiness, and success; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
17 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to The Honorable J. Russell Jackson.

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