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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING AND THANKING JOANNE MACERONI ON THE OCCASION OF HER
RETIREMENT FROM THE NARRAGANSETT BAY COMMISSION

Introduced By: Representatives Mattiello, Shekarchi, Corvese, O'Brien, and Casimiro

Date Introduced: May 31, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Confucius is quoted as saying, "Choose a work that you love and you won't
2 have to work another day." Joanne Maceroni has embraced this philosophy throughout her
3 employment with the State of Rhode Island; and

4 WHEREAS, Upon graduation from Classical High School, where she still remains an
5 active alumni and serves on the school's reunion committees, Joanne was allowed, unlike her
6 older sister, to attend an out-of-state college. She graduated from Emanuel College in Boston,
7 where she earned her Bachelor's degree in teaching; and

8 WHEREAS, After a brief venture into teaching in North Providence, Joanne succumbed
9 to the "political bug." From 1977 through 1985, she worked for Lt. Governor Thomas R.
10 DiLuglio. She was subsequently hired by Narragansett Bay Commission as an Assistant
11 Administrative Officer. In 1992, her title changed to Associate Executive Assistant, in 1996, she
12 was promoted to Manager of Special Projects, and later was promoted to Manager of Government
13 Affairs; and

14 WHEREAS, Devoted to job, but even more to her family, Joanne is the daughter of
15 Teresa and Anthony Maceroni, who was the President of the National Boxing Association in
16 1960 and 1961, a member of the NBA executive committee, the first Rhode Island State Boxing
17 Commissioner, and the state's first Racing Commissioner. She is the sister of Geraldine Maceroni
18 and Bernard Maceroni; and

19 WHEREAS, Joanne who, due to her curly blond hair looked remarkably like Shirley

1 Temple, would have been named Giuseppina Maceroni had her father had his way. He had
2 wanted her to be named after his mother, but Joanne's mother thankfully intervened and
3 convinced him to Americanize it to Joanne; and

4 WHEREAS, Joanne is also the adored aunt of Anthony Hamel, Lisa Vingi, Lori
5 Caldarone and Gerald Hamel, and the great-aunt of Richard and Michael Calderone, Raymond
6 and Anthony Vingi, Grace, Sophia, Antonio and Andrew Hamel, who can always count on their
7 aunt to attend their myriad games and recitals, or be available for sleep overs; and

8 WHEREAS, Kind of heart and spirit, and generous to a fault, Joanne loves entertaining
9 family and friends with her fabulous cooking skills, but has a major weakness for expensive
10 handbags, shoes, jewelry and clothing. She is truly loved by everyone who knows her, and has
11 thoroughly earned our unqualified admiration and respect as she prepares to embark on the next
12 exciting chapter of her life; now, therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
14 Providence Plantations hereby honors and thanks Joanne Maceroni for her years of service and
15 friendship. We wish her much happiness, health and fulfillment; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
17 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Joanne Maceroni.

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