

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2011

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF
THOMAS G. CAVANAGH

Introduced By: Senators Lynch, and Shibley

Date Introduced: January 20, 2011

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that we have learned of the passing of Thomas G.
2 Cavanagh, a remarkable young man whose life was cut short on January 6, 2011. Our thoughts
3 and hearts hold great empathy and sorrow for his family. We grieve with his parents, Joseph V.
4 Jr. and Carol (Gebelein) Cavanagh, his siblings, Mary and her husband, Walter, Joseph and his
5 wife, Rosanna, Paul and his wife, Courtney, Sarah and her husband, Skip, Carol and her husband
6 James, David, James, and Michaela, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins on their tremendous
7 loss; and

8 WHEREAS, Thomas was born in Providence, Rhode Island, 28 years ago. He graduated
9 from Toll Gate High School in 2000, Phillips Academy in Exeter, New Hampshire, in 2001, and
10 Harvard College in 2005; and

11 WHEREAS, After graduation, Thomas became a professional hockey player in the
12 National and American Hockey Leagues. His phenomenal athletic skills and competitive instincts
13 captured the attention of sports fans and team mates; and

14 WHEREAS, Even though we are diminished by this loss and mourn the passing of
15 Thomas, so must we celebrate the spirit, generosity, and courage with which he lived every day
16 of his life; and

17 WHEREAS, An admired son, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend, Thomas G. Cavanagh's
18 life and achievements will live on for many years to come in the memories of everyone fortunate
19 enough to have been touched by the quality of this remarkable young man; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
2 hereby expresses our deepest sympathy to the family of Thomas G. Cavanagh. He will be truly
3 missed; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the Cavanagh Family.

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