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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

JOINT RESOLUTION

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$5,000,000 TO THE RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT FOR THE PRESERVATION, PROTECTION, AND CONSERVATION OF FARMLANDS

Introduced By: Senators DiPalma, Ciccone, Felag, Sosnowski, and Gallo

Date Introduced: March 07, 2023

Referred To: Senate Finance

1 WHEREAS, Rhode Islanders have overwhelmingly supported the preservation, 2 protection, and conservation of our farmlands; and 3 WHEREAS, Rhode Island has depleted the previously available funds that were used to 4 support the preservation, protection, and conservation of farmlands; and WHEREAS, In order to preserve, protect, and conserve Rhode Island's farmlands, five 5 million dollars (\$5,000,000) is urgently needed to rectify this situation; now, therefore be it 6 7 RESOLVED, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the treasury not 8 otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year 2023-2024, the sum of five million dollars (\$5,000,000) 9 to the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management for the preservation, protection 10 and conservation of Rhode Island farmlands; and the state controller is hereby authorized and

directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of said sum.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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