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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING SINCERE CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF RAYMOND E. MELLO

Introduced By: Senators Doyle, Walaska, Goodwin, Sosnowski, and Crowley

Date Introduced: March 21, 2013

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of  
2 Raymond E. Mello, a man who was deeply devoted to his family. Born eighty-two years ago in  
3 Pawtucket to the late Joseph and Agnes (Tavares) Mello, Raymond was the husband of Marie  
4 (Campillo) Mello; and

5           WHEREAS, Our thoughts and hearts hold great empathy and sorrow for his family. We  
6 grieve with his daughters, Helen DiBiase and Barbara Mello, two grandchildren, and three great-  
7 grandchildren; and

8           WHEREAS, Over the years Mr. Mello worked deliberately to improve his community,  
9 his state, and his nation. Raymond served honorably in the United States Navy during the Korean  
10 War. His stint in the Navy changed his life, most notably because it was during his time with the  
11 Navy in Morocco that he met and fell in love with his wife, Marie, who also worked on the Naval  
12 base; and

13           WHEREAS, Upon his return to the United States, Raymond worked for many years as  
14 the manager of the Pawtucket Ice Rink, before he retired. He devoted himself to his community  
15 through his efforts as a member of the Pawtucket Elks Lodge No. 920 and as a member of the  
16 Portuguese Social Club. Raymond supported the efforts of the General Assembly by serving as a  
17 doorman for the Rhode Island House of Representatives; and

18           WHEREAS, Even though we are diminished by this loss and mourn the passing of  
19 Raymond, so must we celebrate the spirit, generosity, and courage with which he lived every day  
20 of his life; 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 and many friends of Raymond E. Mello. He  
3 will be truly missed; and be it further

4           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
5 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Marie Mello.

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