

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING TOM MILEWSKI, CRANSTON WEST HIGH SCHOOL HEAD FOOTBALL COACH, ON RECEIVING THE "2018 COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD" FROM THE PROVIDENCE GRIDIRON CLUB

Introduced By: Senator Hanna M. Gallo

Date Introduced: May 01, 2019

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, Tom Milewski, the Cranston West High School Football Head Coach newly
2 appointed in 2018, quickly improved the success of his team when he led Cranston West to a
3 successful 8-4 season in 2018, and their first Super Bowl appearance since 2005; and

4 WHEREAS, Coach Milewski had been an Assistant Coach on the Cranston West staff for
5 twenty years, and therefore had the experience and player-personnel knowledge necessary to
6 succeed. Through the years, Coach Milewski learned that being flexible and willing to alter a
7 game plan, or shifting personnel in response to team needs or game situations, is a vital
8 component to coaching; and

9 WHEREAS, From the beginning of training and practices in August, Coach Milewski
10 was able to get the entire team to not only trust and believe in him, but also to believe in
11 themselves. From the team's opening game victory at Cumberland High School, the Cranston
12 West Football Team gave notice that they were going to be a force with which to be reckoned;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, Throughout the 2018 season, the Cranston West Football Team was a
15 focused, disciplined and hard-hitting team that, combined with Coach Milewski's innovative
16 game-planning and play calling, were able to compete with and often beat teams with superior
17 talent and more experience; and

18 WHEREAS, The 2018 Cranston West Football Team surprised Rhode Island High
19 School football observers and marched all the way to the Rhode Island Interscholastic Football

1 League Super Bowl, where they fell in a heartbreakingly close game to North Kingstown. None
2 of their most recent success would have been possible without the outstanding leadership and
3 guidance provided by Cranston West Football Coach Tom Milewski; now, therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
5 hereby congratulates Cranston West Head Football Coach Tom Milewski on receiving the “2018
6 Coach of the Year Award” from the Providence Gridiron Club; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
8 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Tom Milewski, Head Football Coach,
9 Cranston West High School.

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