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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING JUDITH A. LUNDSTEN, CRANSTON SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT,
ON HER RETIREMENT AFTER THIRTY-THREE YEARS OF DEVOTED AND
EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF CRANSTON

Introduced By: Senators Gallo, and Miller

Date Introduced: April 16, 2015

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, Judith A. Lundsten is retiring as the Cranston School Superintendent after
2 thirty-three years of dedicated service to the citizens of Cranston. She served twenty-five of those
3 years as an educator, teaching the visually impaired. She later served as a Teacher Leader,
4 Principal, Executive Director of Educational Programs & Services, Assistant Superintendent, and
5 finally, as Superintendent; and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Lundsten has attained a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education
7 from the State University College at Oneonta, New York, a Master's degree in Special Education
8 from Vanderbilt University, and a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership from Johnson & Wales
9 University; and

10 WHEREAS, Ms. Lundsten was chosen to be the Superintendent of the Cranston Public
11 Schools in 2012. She inherited this position during a tumultuous time with a district facing
12 budget shortages and future debt repayment obligations. Facing this difficult task, she was able to
13 find consensus-building solutions and her compassionate and soft-spoken leadership style was
14 widely admired by the constituency she served. Ms. Lundsten will leave big shoes to fill and her
15 grace and extraordinary leadership skills will be sorely missed by the entire Cranston community;
16 now, therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
18 hereby congratulates Judith A. Lundsten on her retirement as the Cranston School Superintendent
19 after thirty-three years of devoted and exemplary service to the citizens of Cranston; and be it

1 further

2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Judith A. Lundsten.

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