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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2011

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SENATE RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING THE WEEK OF MAY 15 - 21, 2011, AS "NATIONAL POLICE WEEK" IN  
RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Shibley, Kettle, and Hodgson

Date Introduced: May 12, 2011

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, In memory of those police officers who have selflessly died or been  
2 disabled in the line of duty, the State of Rhode Island annually celebrates “National Police  
3 Week”; and

4           WHEREAS, National Police Week was first signed into law in 1962 by President John F.  
5 Kennedy and enacted in the Rhode Island General Laws in 1966; and

6           WHEREAS, Police officers in the State of Rhode Island and across America work  
7 diligently on behalf of the people without regard to the peril or hazards they face each and every  
8 day as they safeguard our lives, our rights and freedoms, and our property. It is important to  
9 recognize and thank these noble and courageous individuals; now, therefore be it

10           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
11 hereby recognizes and celebrates the week of May 15 - 21, 2011, as “National Police Week”; and  
12 be it further

13           RESOLVED, That this Senate offers our sincere condolences to the families and friends  
14 of the valiant and heroic police officers who have given their lives or have been disabled in the  
15 performance of their duty in the State of Rhode Island; and be it further

16           RESOLVED, That this Senate respectfully requests that the Governor direct all flags in  
17 the state to be lowered to half-mast during this time of solemn remembrance and invites all Rhode  
18 Island communities and citizenry to observe this celebration with appropriate ceremonies and  
19 activities; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
2 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the Honorable Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of  
3 the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, the Rhode Island Director of  
4 Administration, the Rhode Island State Lodge Fraternal Order of Police, and the Rhode Island  
5 International Brotherhood of Police Officers.

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