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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

SENATE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING "SAVE THE LAKES" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators P Fogarty, and Sosnowski

Date Introduced: June 25, 2013

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, Invasive plants can limit boating, fishing, and recreational activities, push
2 out native species, and reduce water quality. A survey conducted by the department of
3 environmental management found that nearly 80 percent of Rhode Island's fresh water bodies
4 contained at least one invasive plant species; and

5 WHEREAS, Founded in 2008, Save the Lakes is an alliance of individuals and
6 associations dedicated to improving, protecting, and preserving the fresh water bodies of Rhode
7 Island for future generations; and

8 WHEREAS, Save the Lakes is the only statewide organization dedicated to the
9 preservation and protection of Rhode Island lakes, ponds, and fresh water resources; and

10 WHEREAS, Save the Lakes is an active force working to protect, restore, and explore
11 Rhode Island's fresh water resources; and

12 WHEREAS, Save the Lakes provides a forum for exchange, development, and research
13 of fresh water resources information; and

14 WHEREAS, Save the Lakes has advocated for better fresh water management before
15 local, State, and Federal governments and agencies; now, therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
17 hereby recognizes "Save the Lakes" in the State of Rhode Island. We applaud its efforts and its
18 emphasis on preserving Rhode Island's fresh water bodies, and wish the organization continued
19 success in its future endeavors; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to

- 1 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Judy Colaluca, President and Co-founder of
- 2 Save the Lakes.

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