

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING JOSE ALEMÁN ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE PROVIDENCE  
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT AFTER THIRTY-FIVE YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED AND  
EXEMPLARY SERVICE AS AN EDUCATOR

Introduced By: Senators Quezada, Metts, Ruggerio, and Goodwin

Date Introduced: June 27, 2019

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, Jose Alemán was born in Santiago, Dominican Republic, and moved to  
2 New York City as a young child, where he graduated from high school. From an early age, Mr.  
3 Alemán had an interest in educational issues and saw the attainment of a quality education as a  
4 vital entry point for those striving to succeed in America. He attended Earlham College in  
5 Indiana, where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Secondary Education, and subsequently moved  
6 to Rhode Island and received a Master's degree in Education from Rhode Island College. He later  
7 attended Harvard University's Graduate School of Education, where he completed a Certificate of  
8 Advanced Graduate Study in Education Administration; and

9           WHEREAS, Mr. Alemán has a long and distinguished career of excellence in the field of  
10 education, serving in an array of administrative positions with various administrations including  
11 the Community College of Rhode Island, the University of Central Florida, where he was the  
12 editor of the school's multicultural newspaper, and the Providence School District, where he  
13 served with distinction since 1994 as a Director, Administrator and Principal; and

14           WHEREAS, Mr. Alemán is an expert in multicultural education and has worked  
15 tirelessly and cooperatively through the years with all educational stakeholders to better promote  
16 and support trans-cultural teaching and learning environments. Thanks to his hard work and  
17 diligence, many generations of students have been mentored and became new educators; and

18           WHEREAS, Mr. Alemán also has a long track record of civic engagement within the  
19 wider Rhode Island community. In the late 1990s, he was the publisher and co-owner of El

1 Nuevo Siglo, a Spanish-Language weekly, and published numerous articles and opinion pieces in  
2 several Rhode Island Newspapers. More recently, he authored the book "New Perspectives in  
3 Education for Effective Instructional Practices"; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Alemán and his wife, Dancys, are the parents of four children and the  
5 grandparents of four grandchildren. He has been a resident of Providence's Elmhurst  
6 neighborhood for more than two decades, where he served as a Little League coach, and as a  
7 former Board Member of the Urban League of Rhode Island, Volunteers in Providence Schools,  
8 and the Hispanic American Coalition Service Agency. He is also a long-time Executive Board  
9 Member of the Rhode Island Chapter of the Partido Revolucionario Moderno; now, therefore be  
10 it

11 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
12 hereby congratulates Mr. Jose Alemán on his retirement from the Providence School Department  
13 after thirty-five years of distinguished and exemplary service as an educator; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
15 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Jose Alemán.

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