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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010**

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**SENATE RESOLUTION**

**OFFICIALLY NAMING ROOM 212 OF THE STATE HOUSE "THE ROGER R. BADEAU  
HEARING ROOM"**

Introduced By: Senators Ruggerio, McBurney, Paiva-Weed, Connors, and Picard

Date Introduced: January 26, 2010

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, It is with great fondness that we gather here today to honor our late friend  
2 and colleague, the Honorable Roger R. Badeau; and

3           WHEREAS, Senator Badeau, a lifelong resident of the City of Woonsocket, was a caring  
4 and devoted family man and an enormously well respected member of the Rhode Island Senate;  
5 and

6           WHEREAS, Senator Badeau was elected to the Rhode Island Senate in 1984 and would  
7 go on to represent the people of Woonsocket and Cumberland in District 20 for twenty-three  
8 years; and

9           WHEREAS, Senator Badeau had numerous legislative accomplishments. He utilized his  
10 abiding talent for bringing business and labor together to forge landmark legislation in the area of  
11 workers' compensation reform in the early 1990s, and also passed legislation enabling Rhode  
12 Islanders to access less expensive Canadian pharmaceuticals; and

13           WHEREAS, All those who had the pleasure to encounter Senator Badeau, whether they  
14 be family, friends, colleagues, constituents, or lobbyists, all knew Senator Badeau's word was his  
15 bond; and

16           WHEREAS, Senator Badeau was the longest serving Chairman of the Senate Committee  
17 on Labor, holding that title for sixteen consecutive years; and

18           WHEREAS, Senate Labor Committee meetings were run in a most expeditious but open  
19 manner; and

1           WHEREAS, Room 212 was the scene of many unforgettable meetings of the Senate  
2 Labor Committee and served as the venue for numerous debates over labor legislation. It was in  
3 this room that advice and consent was granted to many public servants and where much laughter  
4 laced the discussions; and

5           WHEREAS, This Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations will  
6 always remember Senator Badeau with great admiration. We cannot think of a more fitting  
7 tribute to him than dedicating Room 212 in honor of our dear friend, the late Senator Roger  
8 Badeau; now, therefore be it

9           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
10 hereby officially names Room 212 of the State House, "The Roger R. Badeau Hearing Room";  
11 and be it further

12           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
13 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Lucille Badeau and Family.

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