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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

SENATE RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 5, 2010, TO BE "NATIONAL WEAR RED DAY" IN THE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Paiva-Weed, Gallo, Goodwin, Sosnowski, and Lynch

Date Introduced: February 04, 2010

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, Diseases of the heart are the nation's leading cause of death and stroke is the
2 third leading cause of death; and

3 WHEREAS, Cardiovascular disease claims the lives of nearly 460,000 American women
4 each year, approximately one death per minute; and

5 WHEREAS, Each year, 53 percent of all deaths due to cardiovascular disease and 61
6 percent of stroke deaths occur in women; and

7 WHEREAS, Too many women die each year because they are unaware that heart disease
8 is their No. 1 killer; and

9 WHEREAS, In 2010, the direct and indirect cost of cardiovascular diseases in the U.S.,
10 including stroke, is estimated to be \$503.2 billion; and

11 WHEREAS, Nearly as many women die of heart disease, stroke, and all other
12 cardiovascular diseases as the next five leading causes of death combined, including all cancers;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, February is designated as American Heart Month; and

15 WHEREAS, Go Red for Women® is the American Heart Association's national call to
16 increase awareness about heart disease—the leading cause of death for women—and to inspire
17 women to take charge of their heart health; and

18 WHEREAS, All women should learn their own personal risk for heart disease using tools
19 such as the American Heart Association's Go Red for Women® Heart CheckUp and Go Red for

1 Women® Better U, and by talking to their health care provider; and

2 WHEREAS, Making the right choices related to proper nutrition, physical activity, and
3 other healthy lifestyle choices is essential to living a heart healthy life; and

4 WHEREAS, By choosing to speak up about heart disease we can save lives using the
5 power of our very own voices; now, therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations,
7 in recognition of the importance of the ongoing fight against heart disease and stroke, hereby
8 proclaims February 5, 2010, to be “National Wear Red Day” and urges all citizens to show their
9 support for women and the fight against heart disease by commemorating this day with the
10 wearing of the color red. By increasing awareness, speaking up about heart disease, and
11 empowering women to reduce their risk for cardiovascular disease, we can save thousands of
12 lives each year; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
14 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Rhode Island Office of the American Heart
15 Association.

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