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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

SENATE RESOLUTION

**RECOGNIZING MARCH 8, 2022, AS "INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY" IN THE STATE
OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Senator Sandra Cano

Date Introduced: March 08, 2022

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, International Women's Day has been observed since the early 1900s, at a
2 time when women's oppression and inequality were causing women to become more vocal,
3 active, and demanding of change; and

4 WHEREAS, The first National Women's Day was observed in the United States on
5 February 28, 1909, during which women protested and demanded shorter hours, better pay, and
6 voting rights; and

7 WHEREAS, The first countries to honor International Women's Day in 1911 were
8 Austria, Denmark, Germany, and Switzerland, with more than one million women and men
9 attending International Women's Day rallies, demanding women's rights including the right to
10 work, vote, to hold public office, and an end to discrimination in general; and

11 WHEREAS, In 1977, the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed March 8th as
12 International Women's Day throughout the world, a day that is celebrated in the United States and
13 globally; and

14 WHEREAS, International Women's Day has grown exponentially, nationally and
15 internationally, in developed and developing countries alike; and

16 WHEREAS, The United Nations declared the 2022 theme for International Women's Day
17 to be #BreakTheBias, inspiring all to imagine a gender equal world, free of bias, stereotypes, and
18 discrimination, and a world where differences are valued and celebrated; now, therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby recognizes March 8,

1 2022, as "International Women's Day" in the State of Rhode Island; and be it further
2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Daniel McKee, Governor of the
4 State of Rhode Island.

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