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STATE OFRHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING NIKKI VAZQUEZ ON HER SELECTION AS ONE OF THE 2010 NEWPORT DAILY NEWS COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD WINNERS

Introduced By: Senators Paiva-Weed, Gallo, Metts, DiPalma, and Felag

Date Introduced: April 13, 2010

Referred To: Senate read and passed

WHEREAS, The Newport Daily News established a "Community Service Award" in 1 1996 on the paper's 150th Anniversary celebration to recognize and encourage volunteerism 2 3 within the community; and WHEREAS, Nikki Vazquez has been chosen as one of this year's recipients of this 4 prestigious award. She has consistently and selflessly given her time, talent, and energy to a 5 6 myriad of clubs and organizations benefiting the population of the City of Newport. Along the 7 way, she has earned the unqualified admiration and respect of everyone involved; and 8 WHEREAS, In 2007, Nikki started Newport Community Gardens as part of an effort to 9 raise awareness about healthy food in local schools and create links between schools and 10 community gardening. She has been chairwoman of the non-profit organization Newport in 11 Bloom for the past four years and most recently helped organize a number of fundraisers for the 12 Joe and Linda Caruso Family Fund, which she established to help support the family during Joe's 13 battle with cancer; and 14 WHEREAS, Along with her invaluable service to the Newport community, Nikki has 15 proven to be of inestimable value to the community; and 16 WHEREAS, Nikki's loyalty, dedication, and long-term contributions to the community are as well known as her quiet leadership and true spirit of volunteerism; now, therefore be it 17 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations 18 hereby congratulates and honors Nikki Vazquez on being selected as one of the 2010 Newport

- 1 Daily News Community Service Award winners. Her years of devoted service to her family and
- 2 the community are an inspiration to us all; and be it further
- RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
- 4 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Nikki Vazquez.

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