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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING GARY FURTADO ON HIS RETIREMENT AS THE PRESIDENT & CEO OF NAVIGANT CREDIT UNION AFTER FORTY-FOUR YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE WITHIN THE RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS COMMUNITY

Introduced By: Senators Felag, Cano, Kallman, Archambault, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Coyne, Miller, F Lombardi, and Picard

Date Introduced: June 07, 2022

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, Gary Furtado began his exemplary professional career in 1978, shortly after
2 graduating from Bryant University, when he accepted an accounting position with Navigant
3 Credit Union, then known as Credit Union Central Falls; and

4 WHEREAS, Thanks to his tireless work ethic, business acumen and incredible leadership
5 skills, Mr. Furtado was named the President/CEO of Navigant in 1987, a position he has held for
6 the last thirty-five years; and

7 WHEREAS, Under Mr. Furtado's guidance and direction, Navigant Credit Union
8 experienced exceptional growth, swelling from a one-branch credit union in Central Falls, to its
9 current position as Rhode Island's largest member-owned credit union. Currently, Navigant
10 Credit Union serves more than 125,000 members, with twenty-three branch locations across the
11 state, and more than \$3 billion in operating assets; and

12 WHEREAS, Gary Furtado is widely respected and admired throughout Rhode Island and
13 Southeastern New England for his abiding integrity, his ability to connect with all people in all
14 levels of society, and for helping to create a better business environment in Rhode Island and,
15 through his success, creating much-needed jobs for the State. Perhaps Ann Kashmanian, Chair,
16 Navigant Credit Union Board of Directors, provided the most eloquent testimony to Mr.
17 Furtado's impact on Rhode Island when she said, "Gary Furtado is a bona fide visionary leader, a
18 quintessential representative of credit union principles and values, and a respected mentor and
19 friend to the countless colleagues he's touched over the course of his career. His impact on

1 Navigant Credit Union, Rhode Island's business community, and the national credit union
2 industry truly cannot be overstated.”; now, therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby congratulates Gary
4 Furtado on his retirement as President & CEO of Navigant Credit Union after forty-four years of
5 distinguished service within the Rhode Island business community. We furthermore wish Mr.
6 Furtado a most happy and healthy retirement and continued success in all his future endeavors;
7 and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
9 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Gary Furtado.

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