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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

#### SENATE RESOLUTION

# EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE JOHN JOSEPH "JACK" CROWLEY, JR.

Introduced By: Senators Paiva Weed, DiPalma, Metts, Pichardo, and Felag Date Introduced: May 20, 2014

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

WHEREAS, It is with profound sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of the
Honorable John Joseph "Jack" Crowley Jr., 71, of Newport, Rhode Island, on May 16, 2014; and
WHEREAS, John Crowley, better known as "Jack" by his friends and family, was born
in Newport, Rhode Island, in 1943, son of the late John and Adele (McClanahan) Crowley. He
attended St. Joseph's School and graduated from De La Salle Academy in 1961. He was
employed by the Rhode Island Public Transit Authority for thirty years before retiring in 2011.
He had previously worked as a journeyman plumber for Donovan Bros. and Electric Boat; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Crowley was a lifelong Democrat who loved and served his native City 9 of Newport, with honor, devotion and integrity. He was elected to serve as a Newport City 10 Council member, representing the First Ward, from 1986 to 1992. He was also a member of the 11 Democratic City Committee and was a State Committeeman. He further served the citizens of 12 Newport as a member of the Zoning Board of Review, on the Board of Directors of the Newport 13 County YMCA, and as a Commissioner of the Newport Housing Authority; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crowley was a Past Grand Knight of the Newport/Middletown Knights
of Columbus, Council 256, and was a past Faithful Navigator of the General Rosecrans Assembly
of the 4th degree Knights of Columbus. He loved to travel, explore his Irish heritage, and collect
political memorabilia; and

18 WHEREAS, Jack Crowley leaves behind his wife of 43 years, Patricia Crowley, his
19 children, Linda Nannini, and her husband Steve, Karen Crowley, Joanne Ferretti, and her husband

James, Cathleen Crowley, and John Crowley, III, and his wife Vicki. He also leaves behind his 1 2 grandchildren, Lauren Case, and her husband Justin, Zachary Crowley, Danielle Nannini, Ike, 3 Oscar and Emmett Yob, and Maren, McKenna, and John Patrick Crowley, and his great-4 grandchildren, Dillon and Abagail Case. In addition, he leaves behind his brother, Dennis P. 5 Crowley, and was predeceased by his brother Michael F. Crowley and sister Margaret Ann 6 Hanna; now, therefore be it 7 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations 8 hereby expresses its deepest condolences to the Crowley family on the passing of John Joseph

9 "Jack" Crowley, Jr.; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
11 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Patricia Crowley.

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