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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

SENATE RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING "NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK" ON MAY 12TH THROUGH MAY 18TH,
2024, IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senator Joshua Miller

Date Introduced: May 14, 2024

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, National Hospital Day was set aside in honor of Florence Nightingale, the
2 woman who made nursing a respectable profession and who revolutionized the way hospitals
3 were run. The May 12th observance was expanded to a week-long event in 1953, so that hospitals
4 could use it to plan and implement more extensive public information programs, and is currently
5 sponsored by the American Hospital Association; and

6 WHEREAS, National Hospital Week 2024 celebrates hospitals, health systems, and the
7 women and men who support the health and well-being of their communities through dedication
8 and care from the heart; and

9 WHEREAS, America's Hospitals and healthcare systems deliver 3.5 million babies,
10 employ 8.3 million people, and provide emergency care to 123 million people across the country;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, Hospitals in Rhode Island have generated more than 50,000 jobs and
13 contributed \$2.5 billion in net patient revenue, dispensing a significant impact on both
14 community health and the economy at large; and

15 WHEREAS, Providing everything from emergency care, labor and delivery, minor
16 surgery and specialized care, hospitals big and small fill a vital need in our communities and
17 every nurse, doctor, practitioner and staff member are essential in the compassionate delivery of
18 the much needed quality services; and

19 WHEREAS, National Hospital Week is a time to raise awareness of the importance of

1 hospitals and health systems and to highlight the critical role hospitals and healthcare
2 professionals have in our local communities; now, therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby recognizes May 12th
4 through May 18th as "National Hospital Week" and acknowledges and thanks Rhode Island's
5 healthcare professionals for working diligently to provide countless men, women, and families
6 with quality health services and for building a brighter tomorrow for future generations; and be it
7 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 Teresa Paiva Weed, President of the Hospital
10 Association of Rhode Island.

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