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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF SALVATORE
DEVINCENZO

Introduced By: Representatives Lima, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Costantino, Fenton-
Fung, Ajello, Phillips, Edwards, Tanzi, and Bennett

Date Introduced: April 04, 2023

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this House has learned of the passing of
2 Salvatore “Sam” DeVincenzo, the devoted husband of the late Jean DeVincenzo for 62 years; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. DeVincenzo was born in Vandergrift, Pennsylvania, one of ten children
4 of the late Raffaele and Mary DeVincenzo. He was a longtime resident of Cranston who most
5 recently lived in Narragansett and spent his winters in Florida; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. DeVincenzo was a hard-working and industrious man who daily strove
7 to provide for his family and loved ones. He was the popular and beloved owner of the legendary
8 barbershop on Broadway in Federal Hill, where he was known to many as “Sammy the Barber”.
9 He also served the State of Rhode Island with distinction as the Superintendent of the Rhode
10 Island State House for several decades and served our nation with honor in the United States
11 Army during the Korean War; and

12 WHEREAS, The most important thing in Mr. DeVincenzo’s life was always his family.
13 He was a devoted son, husband, father and grandfather. Few things gave him more joy in life than
14 cooking his legendary Sunday gravy (sauce) and spending time around the dinner table with his
15 family. He also enjoyed spending time with his sons-in-law as a member of San Bernardino
16 Society, where they enjoyed playing cards and sipping red wine with their fellow members. Mr.
17 DeVincenzo was also admired for his sartorial style and the stylish suits he wore; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. DeVincenzo leaves behind his daughters, Kim Nardolillo and her late
19 husband, Robert Nardolillo, Jr., and Gina Giarrusso and her husband, Angelo Giarrusso. He also

1 leaves behind his beloved grandchildren, the Honorable Robert Nardolillo, III, former Rhode
2 Island State Representative, and his wife, Jacqueline, Ryan Nardolillo and his wife, Julie, Giana
3 Giarrusso, Angelo Giarrusso, Jr., and Talia Giarrusso and her fiancé, Dr. Alexander Sabitoni. He
4 also leaves behind his two great-grandchildren, Rocco and Milania Nardolillo, and was the
5 brother of Michelina Caparco; now, therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
7 expresses its deepest condolences on the passing of Salvatore DeVincenzo; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
9 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Kim Nardolillo and Family, and Gina Giarrusso
10 and Family.

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