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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

CONGRATULATING DR. FRANK PALLOTTA ON RECEIVING THE 2023 RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION "PAUL CROWLEY AWARD"

Introduced By: Representatives Corvese, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, O'Brien, Hull, J. Lombardi, Place, McNamara, Ajello, and Fellela

Date Introduced: May 02, 2023

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, The prestigious Paul Crowley Award is presented annually by the Rhode
2 Island Superintendents Association to a Rhode Island citizen or organization that has exhibited
3 long-term commitment to excellence and to improving the quality of education in Rhode Island;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, This distinguished award is named after the Honorable Paul Crowley who
6 throughout his exemplary service in the Rhode Island House of Representatives, was widely
7 recognized and admired for his commitment to education and for his vast knowledge and
8 expertise on issues related to education; and

9 WHEREAS, This year's well-deserving recipient is Dr. Frank Pallotta, Ed.D., a lifelong
10 resident of North Providence. Dr. Pallotta has been a long-time education leader since his
11 graduation from Providence College in 1970, Rhode Island College in 1971, where he attained his
12 special education credentials, and Providence College again in 1972, where he attained a Master's
13 in Education degree. Since then, he has served with tireless devotion and distinction as a teacher,
14 principal, special education administrator, assistant superintendent, and superintendent of schools.
15 Dr. Pallotta also attained an Ed.D. degree from Nova Southeastern University in 1985, and has
16 served as a member and as Chair of the North Providence School Committee; and

17 WHEREAS, Throughout his career, Dr. Pallotta has been a strong advocate in support of
18 allowing principals to hire their own staff and develop their own budgets and programs; and

19 WHEREAS, In 1992, while serving as the Principal at Veazie Street Elementary School,

1 Dr. Pallotta became the first Principal in Providence to lead a Site Managed School Governance
2 Model within his school. He can also take credit for numerous other positive reforms related to
3 curriculum and school accountability that have improved elementary and high school education in
4 Rhode Island; and

5 WHEREAS, Dr. Frank Pallotta is the beloved husband of MaryAnn Pallotta, the devoted
6 father of Jeffrey and Melissa, and the grandfather of Makenzie, Mia, Nikki and Marianna; now,
7 therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
9 congratulates Dr. Frank Pallotta on receiving the 2023 Rhode Island School Superintendents
10 Association "Paul Crowley Award"; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
12 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Dr. Frank Pallotta, Ed.D.

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