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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF REVEREND MOTHER
DIANA "RED DOE" SPEARS MARS

Introduced By: Representatives Spears, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Chippendale, Ajello,
McGaw, Fellela, Tanzi, and Cortvriend

Date Introduced: May 04, 2023

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with utmost sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Diana
2 Spears Mars, and the beloved life partner and wife of David Mars, Sr. for sixty-five years, and the
3 cherished mother of India "Misty," Tawny, David "Jeff," and Heather Angel; and

4 WHEREAS, Born in Westerly, Diana Spears was the daughter of the late Russell and
5 Grace Spears, and the oldest of twelve siblings, including the late Russell Jr., Holly, Robin,
6 Lance, Starr, Craig, Forest, Melody, Lake, Autumn, and Sky; and

7 WHEREAS, Mrs. Mars lived her life on the Indigenous homelands of her people, the
8 Narragansett. She had been employed in the Admissions Office of URI for twenty years and
9 served her community as a beloved minister/Pawwaw of the Gospel and educator at Narragansett
10 Indian Church; and

11 WHEREAS, A spiritual leader who embodied the "Fruit of the Spirit", Mrs. Mars lived
12 her life bestowing love and beauty on all who knew her, and especially to her cherished family.
13 Her lively personality created and nurtured a marriage that flourished, and a home that was
14 welcoming and filled with nieces and nephews, cousins, and interesting friends; and

15 WHEREAS, Always benevolent and exuding love, Mrs. Mars possessed a great wit and
16 humor, and exemplified grace, panache, and unique style and fashion sense. She loved the arts,
17 and was a skilled songstress, gifted orator, gardener, and writer; and

18 WHEREAS, Diana Mars led a glorious life, and blessed with the total love and support of
19 her family, she embraced each and every day fully and joyfully; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
2 offers heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family and friends of Diana Spears Mars; and be it
3 further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to David K. Mars Sr. and Family.

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