

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

SENATE RESOLUTION

HONORING SENATOR DENNIS L. ALGIERE FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF
THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Ciccone, F. Lombardi, DiPalma, de la Cruz, Rogers, Paolino,
DeLuca, Picard, Bell, and McKenney

Date Introduced: March 16, 2023

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that we bid farewell to our good friend and colleague
2 Senator Dennis Algieri, who is retiring from the Rhode Island Senate, District 38, after thirty
3 years of devoted service to his constituents and the citizens of the State of Rhode Island; and

4 WHEREAS, Born and raised in the Town of Westerly, Dennis Algieri graduated from
5 Westerly High School, earned his Bachelor's degree from Providence College, a Master's degree
6 from Northeastern University, and his Juris Doctor from the University of Massachusetts School
7 of Law; and

8 WHEREAS, In 1990, the Honorable Dennis Algieri began his public service on the
9 Westerly Town Council, and in November of 1992, he successfully ran for the State Senate
10 District 26 seat, which in 2003 became District 38, representing constituencies in the Towns of
11 Westerly, Charlestown, and South Kingstown; and

12 WHEREAS, Respected and admired by his peers, Senator Algieri was appointed Senate
13 Deputy Minority Leader in 1995, and in 1997, was elected Minority Leader by the Republican
14 caucus, a position he has continuously held over the past twenty-five years. In his capacity as
15 Leader, he is an Ex Officio member of all Senate Committees; and

16 WHEREAS, During his tenure in the Senate, Leader Algieri has been a staunch advocate
17 for government reform, including the establishment of an Inspector General and the Julia Lynn
18 Cardinal Act. During the COVID pandemic, he also introduced legislation seeking to exempt the
19 first \$10,200 of unemployment benefits from state taxes for out-of-work Rhode Islanders; and

1 WHEREAS, Consistently putting his District’s interests first, Leader Algieri has been
2 active with myriad boards and committees, including serving on the Board of Directors for Salve
3 Regina University and the Westerly Hospital, Chairman of the Westerly Library and Wilcox Park
4 capital campaign and building committee, Chairman of the Westerly Police Department building
5 committee, on the President's Advisory Council on the Arts at the John F. Kennedy Center and on
6 the Consumer Advisory Council of the Federal Reserve Board of Governors; and

7 WHEREAS, The Honorable Dennis Algieri's leadership and tireless devotion to the
8 citizens of the Ocean State have earned him our unqualified admiration and respect, and he will
9 most assuredly be missed; now, therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby honors Senator Dennis
11 Algieri as he concludes his service in the Rhode Island Senate. We thank him for a job well done,
12 and extend our sincere wishes for his continued health, happiness and success; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
14 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Dennis Algieri.

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