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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING TYLER KOLEK OF CUMBERLAND, RHODE ISLAND, ON HIS  
OUTSTANDING SEASON WITH THE MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL TEAM,  
AND FOR LEADING THE GOLDEN EAGLES INTO THE SECOND ROUND OF THE  
NCAA TOURNAMENT

Introduced By: Senators Pearson, Picard, Raptakis, F. Lombardi, Mack, Tikoian, Lauria,  
Quezada, Gallo, and Cano

Date Introduced: March 30, 2023

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, Tyler Kolek, star basketball player at Marquette University, is the son of  
2 Cumberland Police Officer Kevin Kolek and Lynn Kolek of Cumberland. He was a standout  
3 High School Basketball player at the St. George's School; and

4           WHEREAS, In 2022-2023, Tyler Kolek compiled one of the greatest seasons in the  
5 illustrious history of Marquette basketball. He was a unanimous All-Big East Conference First  
6 Team selection and was named both the Big East Conference Player of the Year and the Dave  
7 Gavitt Big East Conference Tournament Most Outstanding Player. Tyler was also named a  
8 Sporting News Second Team All-American, was a Naismith Trophy semi-finalist and Bob Cousy  
9 Award finalist; and

10           WHEREAS, Thanks in large part to Tyler Kolek's outstanding play and leadership, the  
11 Marquette Golden Eagles reached a high of 6th in the National Poll Rankings and earned a  
12 second seed in the NCAA Tournament. Marquette won both the Big East Regular Season  
13 Championship, with a conference record of 17-3, and the Big East Conference Tournament  
14 Championship. In the Big East Conference Tournament, Tyler Kolek came up big, scoring 17  
15 points in a two-point semi-final victory over a hot and talented Connecticut squad, and led all  
16 scorers with 20 points, and grabbed 8 rebounds, as Marquette easily dispatched Xavier in the  
17 Championship game; now, therefore be it

18           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby congratulates

1 Cumberland native Tyler Kolek for his outstanding season as a Guard on the Marquette Golden  
2 Eagles Basketball Team. We wish him continued success both in the classroom and on the  
3 hardcourts, and in all his future endeavors; and be it 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 Mr. Tyler Kolek.

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