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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

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

**RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING DEPUTY SPEAKER RAYMOND A. HULL ON
THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS SERVICE AS CHAIRMAN OF THE DR. MARTIN
LUTHER KING JR. STATE HOLIDAY COMMISSION**

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, Blazejewski, J. Lombardi, Chippendale,
Tanzi, J. Brien, Place, Cruz, Felix, and Corvese

Date Introduced: January 10, 2024

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Our friend and colleague, Deputy Speaker Ray Hull, has spent the past
2 thirteen years as a member of the Rhode Island General Assembly, assiduously and genially
3 serving the people of North Providence, Providence, and our State; and

4 WHEREAS, Throughout his tenure, Representative Hull has achieved myriad legislative
5 accomplishments, earned the respect and friendship of his peers, and has bettered the lives of
6 countless Rhode Islanders through his ability to unite people in a positive consensus; and

7 WHEREAS, One of Representative Hull's long-standing commitments has been serving
8 as Chair of the Martin Luther King Jr. State Holiday Commission, a position he has worthily held
9 for the past decade; and

10 WHEREAS, This year marks Rhode Island's 36th annual anniversary tribute of the Civil
11 Rights leader's life and legacy, and as Chair of the MLK Commission, Representative Hull has
12 guided Rhode Island's efforts in planning the annual tribute, which is held on January 15th,
13 coinciding with the federal holiday honoring his life; and

14 WHEREAS, Annually, there are several major events conducted under the auspices of
15 the State's MLK Holiday Commission, notably including a tribute to Dr. King, attended by local,
16 state and federal dignitaries at the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Providence, at which Chairman
17 Hull serves as the Master of Ceremonies, as well as numerous awards ceremonies, events at local
18 universities, and an annual essay contest; and

19 WHEREAS, The Honorable Raymond Hull epitomizes Dr, Kings philosophies of Dream,

1 Believe, Unite and Do, and he is eminently worthy of our recognition and gratitude; now,
2 therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
4 recognizes and congratulates Deputy Speaker Raymond A. Hull on the 10th Anniversary of his
5 service as Chairman of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. State Holiday Commission; and be it
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
8 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Representative Raymond A. Hull.

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