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STATE OFRHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

AN ACT

RELATING TO HOLIDAYS AND DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE -- DAYS OF SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Introduced By: Representatives Fellela, Azzinaro, Serpa, Place, Nardone, and Vella-Wilkinson

Date Introduced: January 26, 2024

Referred To: House Veterans` Affairs

(Office of Veterans Services)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 25-2 of the General Laws entitled "Days of Special Observance" is
- 2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
 - 25-2-60. Gold star spouses day.
- The fifth day in April in each and every year shall be set aside as a day to be known as 4
- 5 "Rhode Island Gold Star Spouses Day." This nation and state owe an enormous debt to the
- surviving loved ones of military service members who died while serving their country and this 6
- 7 day offers remembrance for the spouses and their families and a time of recognition of their
- 8 sacrifices. The day is to be observed by the people of this state with appropriate exercises in public
- places, and shall cause a display of the state and American flags to be flown at half-staff over the 9
- 10 Rhode Island state house to commemorate this day of remembrance to honor their memory.
- 11 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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This act would provide that the fifth day in April in each year be designated as "Rhode

Island Gold Star Spouses Day" with appropriate exercises in public places and with flags flown at

half-staff over the state house.

This act would take effect upon passage.

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