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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM ON THEIR OUTSTANDING SUCCESS IN THE 2023-2024 SEASON

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Hull, O'Brien, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Chippendale, Handy, Biah, J. Lombardi, Alzate, and Fellela

Date Introduced: March 19, 2024

Referred To: House read and passed

WHEREAS, The Rhode Island College Women's Basketball Team, led by outstanding 1 2 Head Coach Jenna Cosgrove, just completed an incredibly successful season that included 3 compiling a perfect regular season record, winning their fourth straight Little East Conference regular season Championship and their fourth straight Little East Conference Tournament 4 5 Championship, and winning two games in the NCAA Division III Tournament; and WHEREAS, The Anchorwomen were led all season by the outstanding play and 6 7 leadership provided by Graduate Guard Sophia Guerrier, who earned Little East Player of the 8 Year honors, First Team All-Little East honors, and was named to the Little East All-Defensive 9 Team, fifth-year guard Jeniyah Jones who earned Defensive Player of the Year honors, and was named to the Second Team All-Little East Team and to the Little East All-Defensive Team, 10 Junior Guard Madison Medbury, who earned First Team All-Little East honors, was named to the 11 12. Little East All-Defensive Team, and was named the Most Outstanding player of the Little East 13 Championship, Fifth Year Forward Izabelle Booth, who was named First Team All-Little East, as 14 well as Junior Forward Angelina Nardolillo, who was named Second Team All-Little Sports; and 15 WHEREAS, Earning Little East Conference Coach of the Year honors for the fourth time 16 in the last five years was Jenna Cosgrove, the heralded Head Coach of the Rhode Island College 17 Anchorwoman. Her accomplishments during her seven-year run at Rhode Island College are 18 second to none, and thanks to her leadership and stellar coaching, Rhode Island College Women's Basketball has become a force to be reckoned with locally, regionally and nationally; and 19

1	WHEREAS, Coach Jenna Cosgrove has won well over seventy percent of her games at
2	Rhode Island College, has won four straight Little East Regular Season and four straight Little
3	East Conference Tournament Championships, reached the NCAA Division III Final Four for the
4	first time in program history in 2023, and had a program record 29 wins in a row this season
5	which included a perfect record in Little East competition; and
6	WHEREAS, Accomplishing all of the success the Rhode Island College Women's
7	Basketball Team attained this season would have been impossible without having a talented and
8	determined group of young ladies willing each and every day to give their all for a common goal
9	and to always put team needs ahead of individual desires. The 2023-2024 Rhode Island College
10	Women's Basketball Team had those qualities in abundance as they were led all season by the
11	important contributions provided by Maggie McKitchen, Bailey Burke, Izabelle Booth, Olivia
12	Middleton, Claire Greene, Maggie Schwab, Angelina Nardolillo, Sophia Guerrier, Vanessa
13	Venditti, Elli Cox, Madison Medbury, Jayda Bing, Neleesha Meunier, and Jeniyah Jones, as well
14	as the outstanding coaching provided all season by Head Coach Jenna Cosgrove, and Assistant
15	Women's Basketball Coaches Derek Shanks, Meghan Reall, and Claudia DeFaria; now, therefore
16	be it
17	RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
18	heartily congratulates the Rhode Island College Women's Basketball Team on their outstanding
19	success in the 2023-2024 season; and be it further
20	RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
21	transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Rhode Island College Women's Basketball
22	Head Coach Jenna Cosgrove.

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