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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

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SENATE RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING MARCH OF 2024, TO BE "DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators DiPalma, F. Lombardi, de la Cruz, Rogers, E Morgan, Zurier, McKenney, Britto, Ciccone, and Gu

Date Introduced: March 21, 2024

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1   WHEREAS, In Rhode Island, approximately 4,000 individuals have developmental

2   disabilities; and

3   WHEREAS, There are 37 community agencies licensed by the Rhode Island Department

4   of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals (BHDDH), and/or certified

5   by the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD), that provide a range of services and

6   support systems for those with developmental disabilities in the State of Rhode Island; and

7   WHEREAS, For more than thirty years, Rhode Island has been a leader in providing and

8   advancing services for the developmentally disabled community; and

9   WHEREAS, Individuals with developmental disabilities strive to be contributing

10   members of their community, including attaining employment; and

11   WHEREAS, The establishment of March as Developmental Disabilities Awareness

12   Month has promoted the ongoing endeavor to educate the citizens of this State about the myriad

13   contributions made by those with developmental disabilities; now, therefore be it

14   RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby proclaims March of

15   2024, to be "Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month" in our State. We furthermore

16   encourage all our State's residents to join in recognizing the importance of this month; and be it

17   further

18   RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to

19   transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Tina Spears, MPA Executive

1   Director of CPN-RI.

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