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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SENATE RESOLUTION

RESPECTFULLY CONDEMNING THE ASSAULTS ON POLICE OFFICERS IN NEW  
YORK DURING THE BLIZZARD AND URGING INVESTIGATION AND  
ACCOUNTABILITY

Introduced By: Senator Todd M. Patalano

Date Introduced: March 03, 2026

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, Law enforcement officers serve their communities with courage and  
2 dedication, often at great personal risk, to ensure public safety; and

3           WHEREAS, During the recent blizzard in New York, reports indicate that police officers  
4 were assaulted while performing their duties in hazardous conditions; and

5           WHEREAS, Acts of violence against law enforcement officers undermine public safety,  
6 threaten the rule of law, and cannot be tolerated in a democratic society; and

7           WHEREAS, It is essential that those responsible for such assaults are held accountable  
8 under the law to preserve public trust and uphold justice; now, therefore, be it

9           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island condemns the assaults on  
10 police officers in New York during the recent blizzard, and expresses unwavering support for law  
11 enforcement officers who risk their lives to protect the public; and be it further

12           RESOLVED, That this Senate urges the Mayor of New York City and the appropriate  
13 law enforcement authorities to conduct a full and thorough investigation into these incidents, and  
14 to pursue charges and justice where appropriate; and be it further

15           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
16 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the Mayor of New York City and the New York

1 City Police Department.

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