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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

SENATE RESOLUTION

HONORING NEWS REPORTER SEAN FLYNN ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE
NEWPORT DAILY NEWS

Introduced By: Senators Euer, DiPalma, and Seveney

Date Introduced: February 10, 2022

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, Sean Flynn is retiring from the Newport Daily News after a distinguished
2 forty year career in journalism. He attended the University of Wisconsin where he studied
3 political science and communications, and proceeded to move to Germany where he completed a
4 five year Master's program at Ludwig Maximilian University in Munich. He also worked at the
5 Bavarian Film Studios and free-lanced for a magazine called Anglo American Spotlight; and

6 WHEREAS, Before joining the Newport Daily News in 2004, Mr. Flynn was employed
7 at the Fall River Herald News for nineteen years, and later for the Brockton Enterprise. He was
8 widely admired by his peers for his tireless work ethic and insatiable desire to discover the facts
9 and provide them to his readers. Whether he was covering a town hall meeting or interviewing
10 famous people such as Mikhail Gorbachev at Carnegie Abbey or John F. Kennedy, Jr., in the
11 backseat of a car, Mr. Flynn would always ask the questions that needed to be asked, but in a fair
12 and professional manner. He thoroughly researched his stories and double-checked his facts, and
13 his reporting always focused on putting sunlight on important issues and not sensationalism; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Flynn's colleagues at the Newport Daily News always appreciated his
15 willingness to offer a helping hand to a colleague working on a story. They also admired his
16 immense rolodex that was filled with countless news-related contacts and phone numbers, and
17 were amazed at his ability through the years to adapt to changing circumstances, be they
18 deadlines, moving offices or adjusting to new technologies. His quiet leadership in the newsroom
19 will be sorely missed; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby congratulates Sean
2 Flynn on his retirement from the Newport Daily News after his forty years of distinguished and
3 exemplary work as a news reporter and journalist. We wish him a most happy retirement and
4 continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
6 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Sean Flynn.

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