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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

SENATE RESOLUTION

**CONGRATULATING BECKY BURTON ON BEING NAMED "TEACHER OF THE YEAR"
BY THE RICHMOND GRANGE #6**

Introduced By: Senator V. Susan Sosnowski

Date Introduced: May 18, 2022

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, Becky Burton, an Agriculture teacher at Narragansett High School and the
2 Ledyard High School Animal/Plant Caretaker, inspires her students to envision the possibilities,
3 to have confidence in themselves and their abilities, and to believe in a future full of promise; and

4 WHEREAS, For her dedication to her students and abundance of agriculture knowledge,
5 Ms. Burton has been named the 2022 "Teacher of the Year" by the Richmond Grange #6. This
6 recognition is a momentous tribute to an exceptional individual who has had a significant and
7 profound impact on the lives of her students; and

8 WHEREAS, Ms. Burton graduated from Ledyard High School, where she was an active
9 FFA member. She earned her Bachelor's degree from Delaware Valley University, and her
10 Master's degree from the University of Connecticut, and completed internships at a local
11 gardening center and a wholesale greenhouse; and

12 WHEREAS, Initially, Ms. Burton was employed as a long-term substitute teacher of
13 Horticulture and Worksafe/SAE (Supervised Agricultural Experience). During the pandemic, she
14 transitioned from in-person classroom teaching to virtual learning lessons while still maintaining
15 her students' interest and participation; and

16 WHEREAS, To the very good fortune of students at Narragansett High School, Ms.
17 Burton became a full-time Agriculture teacher in 2021. In addition, she maintains the companion
18 animals, livestock and greenhouse on the weekends and holidays at Ledyard High School as their
19 Animal/Plant Caretaker; and

1 WHEREAS, Becky Burton is an "all American farm girl" who "comes to work every day
2 with a smile and encourages all her students to try their best." The positive impact she has had on
3 her students' lives has certainly qualified her as one of the "best of the best" in the state, and she is
4 eminently deserving of our praise and admiration; now, therefore be it

5 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby recognizes and
6 congratulates Becky Burton on the prestigious honor of being named the 2022 "Teacher of the
7 Year" by the Richmond Grange #6. We moreover extend best wishes for her continued success,
8 good health and happiness; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
10 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Becky Burton.

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