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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF RUTH LONG

Introduced By: Representatives Reilly, Ruggiero, Edwards, Trillo, and Savage

Date Introduced: January 04, 2012

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Ruth
2 Long, the devoted wife of the late Lester Long, to whom she had been married for forty-two
3 wonderful years. She was the mother of three children, our former colleague, The Honorable
4 Bruce Long, and his wife Jane, Neil Long, and his wife, Laura, and Janice Long. She was also the
5 beloved grandmother of eight grandchildren, Jessica, Jamie, Christina, Timothy, Jonathan, Scott,
6 Matthew, and Brett, and one great-grandchild, Michael; and

7 WHEREAS, Mrs. Long, fondly known as “Ruthee” by her family and many friends, was
8 born in Brooklyn, New York, to the late Gustave and Fannie Solomon, who had emigrated from
9 Eastern Europe ten years earlier. She met and married her husband, Lester, who was a United
10 States Navy sailor at the time, and in 1956, the couple moved to Rhode Island to raise their
11 family; and

12 WHEREAS, While her children were still in school, Mrs. Long devoted her enthusiasm
13 and energies to creating a home that was warm and welcoming for her husband and children. She
14 later worked as a babysitter and was a Fuller Brush salesperson, but found her niche at the
15 Newport Grand, where she faithfully and cheerfully served her customers for thirty years; and

16 WHEREAS, In addition, Mrs. Long was a member of the Middletown Republican Town
17 Committee, and volunteered at the Middletown elementary schools, local nursing homes, and the
18 Veteran’s Home in Bristol; and

19 WHEREAS, Ruthee Long was the heart and soul of her family. Her great sense of humor
20 and kindheartedness will forever be indelibly imprinted on the lives and in the cherished

1 memories of her entire family. She enriched the lives of all who had the good fortune to have
2 known her and she will be dearly missed; now, therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
4 Providence Plantations hereby expresses our deepest sympathies to the entire Long Family on the
5 passing of Ruthee Long; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
7 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to The Honorable Bruce Long, Neil Long, and
8 Janice Long.

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