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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

HOUSE RESOLUTION

RESPECTFULLY URGING THE POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION OF THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO CONTINUE FUNDING OPERATIONS AT THE CENTRAL FALLS POST OFFICE

Introduced By: Representatives Silva, and McLaughlin

Date Introduced: January 17, 2012

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Facing an insurmountable \$3 million dollar deficit, cuts in state aid, and a
2 loss of revenue from the Wyatt Detention Center, a Superior Court judge placed Central Falls in
3 receivership in May of 2010; and

4 WHEREAS, Over the last year and a half, the people of Central Falls have endured
5 extreme financial problems within their community, as well as reduction in numerous services;
6 and

7 WHEREAS, In a community already facing hardship, with a population that is socio-
8 economically challenged, residents and the community need additional resources in order to
9 survive, not the potential loss of crucial aides to its recovery; and

10 WHEREAS, The United States Postal Service is currently gathering information to
11 determine the feasibility of keeping the Central Falls Post Office in operation even though in July
12 of 2011, when the USPS closed its Valley Falls Branch, it listed the Central Falls Office as the
13 alternative location for local customers; and

14 WHEREAS, The Central Falls Post Office provides a staple service that is essential to the
15 residents of Central Falls and surrounding communities; now, therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, The this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
17 Providence Plantations hereby urges the Postal Regulatory Commission of the United State Postal
18 Service to adhere to previous assurances and continue to fund and operate the Central Falls Post
19 Office; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That this House urges Rhode Island's Congressional Delegation to take
2 whatever steps necessary to support the continuation of operations at the Central Falls Post
3 Office; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the Postal Regulatory Commission of the
6 United State Postal Service and the Rhode Island Congressional Delegation.

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