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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**

**CONGRATULATING JAMES (JIM) BARON ON BEING NAMED HEAD COACH AT  
CANISIUS COLLEGE**

Introduced By: Representatives Jacquard, Martin, Williams, Mattiello, and Fox

Date Introduced: April 03, 2012

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, Jim Baron has been named the Head Basketball Coach at Canisius College,  
2 after leading the University of Rhode Island Basketball team for the past eleven years, posting a  
3 winning 184-165 record, and making five NIT appearances; and

4           WHEREAS, Jim's steady hand has helped to guide many scholar-athletes through the  
5 difficulties of playing a Division One college sport, balancing the demands of a long basketball  
6 season with the rigors of a demanding academic curriculum; and

7           WHEREAS, Recognized as a three-time Atlantic-10 Conference Coach of the Year at the  
8 University of Rhode Island, Jim enjoyed six twenty win seasons and a 2010 final four NIT berth.  
9 He will be sorely missed by the University, and the many fans of the Rams basketball team  
10 throughout the State of Rhode Island; and

11           WHEREAS, Seizing upon the opportunity to bring in a coach whose basketball intellect  
12 is well known throughout the country, Canisius College has wisely selected Jim to rebuild the  
13 Golden Griffin basketball program; and

14           WHEREAS, Jim will be entering familiar territory, having played for and coached at  
15 nearby St. Bonaventure University, and bringing a proven track record of developing young men  
16 while building winning programs; and

17           WHEREAS, Jim has been indispensable to the growth of the men's basketball program at  
18 the University of Rhode Island, overseeing a program that has brought pride and strengthened the  
19 community of alumni, fans and students; now, therefore be it

1           RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
2 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Jim Baron on being named Head Coach at Canisius  
3 College and thanks him for all that he has done for the University of Rhode Island. His work has  
4 brought distinction to the University and helped better the lives of the athletes at the school; and  
5 be it further

6           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
7 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. James Baron.

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