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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

**CELEBRATING "BIKE-TO-WORK DAY" ON FRIDAY, MAY 18, 2012, IN THE STATE OF
RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Handy, Serpa, Tanzi, Cimini, and Tomasso

Date Introduced: May 17, 2012

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, "Bike-to-Work Day" is celebrated annually across the United States in order
2 to promote the use of bicycles as an option for commuting to work; and

3 WHEREAS, Bike-to-Work Day was originated by the League of American Bicyclists in
4 1956 and is a part of Bike-to-Work Week, which is in turn part of National Bike Month; and

5 WHEREAS, Bicycle commuting is a safe and healthy alternative to driving an
6 automobile to work each day and it provides economic and environmental benefits to our
7 communities; and

8 WHEREAS, Widespread bike commuting helps to lessen traffic congestion and noise,
9 reduces associated greenhouse gas emissions, and decreases the use of and dependence upon
10 finite energy sources; and

11 WHEREAS, Rhode Island has more than 50 miles of paved bike paths, myriad bike lanes
12 and bike routes, and 40 additional miles of paved bike path currently under design; and

13 WHEREAS, Our state is quickly becoming one of the nation's most "bike friendly" states
14 and the advantages to our citizenry and communities should be promoted and recognized; now,
15 therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
17 Providence Plantations hereby proclaims Friday, May 18, 2012, to be "Bike-to-Work Day" in the
18 State of Rhode Island. We furthermore support and encourage all the citizens of our state to
19 participate by giving bike commuting a try; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
2 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the President of the League of American
3 Bicyclists.

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