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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012**

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

**HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND CELEBRATING THE ONE-YEAR  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE "SCRIPT YOUR FUTURE" CAMPAIGN IN RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Tomasso, Handy, Walsh, Cimini, and Bennett

Date Introduced: May 23, 2012

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, Having a chronic disease, such as diabetes, COPD, asthma, high blood  
2 pressure, or high cholesterol, can take away chances for a long and full life if one does not take  
3 prescription medicines as prescribed by a doctor; and

4           WHEREAS, Forty-five percent of Americans have a chronic disease that requires a  
5 prescription medication. Three out of four patients with a chronic condition do not take their  
6 prescription as directed, and one out of three prescriptions are never filled; and

7           WHEREAS, More than 33 percent of medication-related hospital admissions are linked  
8 to poor adherence. Non-adherence costs Americans \$290 billion annually. The public, policy  
9 makers, and healthcare professionals should be informed about the importance of taking  
10 medications as directed; and

11           WHEREAS, The National Consumers League has joined with Rhode Island's  
12 pharmacists, nurses, physicians, patient and consumer advocates, health systems, policy makers,  
13 and universities and schools of learning in order to launch the "Script Your Future" Medication  
14 Adherence Campaign as the first public-private partnership to address the growing problem of  
15 poor medication adherence in our state and beyond; now, therefore be it

16           RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
17 Providence Plantations hereby recognizes and celebrates the one-year anniversary of the "Script  
18 Your Future" campaign in Rhode Island; and be it further

19           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to

- 1 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Sally Greenberg, Executive Director, National
- 2 Consumers League.

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