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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**

**RECOGNIZING "SAVE THE LAKES" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Tomasso, Keable, Chippendale, Edwards, and Guthrie

Date Introduced: May 30, 2012

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, Invasive plants can limit boating, fishing, and recreational activities, push  
2 out native species, and reduce water quality. A survey conducted by the department of  
3 environmental management found that nearly 80 percent of Rhode Island's fresh water bodies  
4 contained at least one invasive plant species; and

5           WHEREAS, Founded in 2008, Save the Lakes is an alliance of individuals and  
6 associations dedicated to improving, protecting, and preserving the fresh water bodies of Rhode  
7 Island for future generations; and

8           WHEREAS, Save the Lakes is the only statewide organization dedicated to the  
9 preservation and protection of Rhode Island lakes, ponds, and fresh water resources; and

10          WHEREAS, Save the Lakes is an active force working to protect, restore, and explore  
11 Rhode Island's fresh water resources; and

12          WHEREAS, Save the Lakes provides a forum for exchange, development, and research  
13 of fresh water resources information; and

14          WHEREAS, Save the Lakes has advocated for better fresh water management before  
15 local, State, and Federal governments and agencies; now, therefore be it

16          RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
17 Providence Plantations hereby recognizes "Save the Lakes" in the State of Rhode Island. We  
18 applaud its efforts and its emphasis on preserving Rhode Island's fresh water bodies, and wish the  
19 organization continued success in its future endeavors; and be it further

20          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 Judy Colaluca, President and Co-founder of
- 2 Save the Lakes.

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