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PROCLAIMING JANUARY 22-28, 2012 AS "SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Ciccone, and Walaska

Date Introduced: January 11, 2012

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1   WHEREAS, All children in Rhode Island should have the right to the highest quality

2 schools possible; and

3   WHEREAS, Citizens across Rhode Island agree that improving the quality of education

4 and expanding access to highly effective schools should be an issue of importance to our state's

5 leaders; and

6   WHEREAS, Rhode Island recognizes the critical role that an effective and accountable

7 system of education plays in preparing all children in this state to be successful in a global

8 economy; and

9   WHEREAS, Rhode Island has a multitude of high quality public schools, public charter

10 schools, and nonpublic schools; and

11   WHEREAS, Rhode Island has many high quality teaching professionals in traditional

12 schools, public charter schools, and private schools across the state who are committed to

13 educating children; and

14   WHEREAS, The vital cause of education reform is one that transcends ideology and

15 political party affiliation; and

16   WHEREAS, Research in Rhode Island and across our nation demonstrates conclusively

17 that providing children with multiple schooling options improves academic performance; now,

18 therefore be it

19   RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

1   hereby proclaims January 22-28, 2012, as "School Choice Week" in the State of Rhode Island;

2   and be it further

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

4   transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Deborah A. Gist, Rhode Island Commissioner

5   of Elementary and Secondary Education.

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