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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF HENRY R. "RICK" HOLE

Introduced By: Senators Paiva Weed, and DiPalma

Date Introduced: January 18, 2012

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, Henry R. "Rick" Hole was born and raised in Newport, Rhode Island, and
2 was a resident of Newport for most of his life. Growing up, Rick was an outstanding all-star
3 athlete who excelled in basketball, football, and baseball. After sustaining a sports career-ending
4 back injury, Rick turned his passion for athletics to teaching and coaching. He attended Kansas
5 State Teacher's College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in physical education, and later
6 earned a master's degree in physical education from the University of Rhode Island; and

7 WHEREAS, Rick returned to Aquidneck Island after college, married Jacqueline Feeney,
8 and began a distinguished life-long career in the Newport School System. Rick served as a
9 physical education teacher and coach from 1968 to 1987, and in 1987 was named the Athletic
10 Director at Rogers High School, where he worked until his retirement in 1996. In 1996 he earned
11 the Athletic Director of the Year Award from the Rhode Island Interscholastic Athletic
12 Administrators Association. He was later inducted into the Newport Sports Hall of Fame; and

13 WHEREAS, Rick also gave much of his time in service to others. He worked tirelessly to
14 raise money to support athletics. Some of his major efforts include organizing and raising money
15 to build track and tennis courts at Rogers High School, renovations at Cardine's Field, and many
16 other similar initiatives, such as raising money for sports equipment at Rogers High School. Rick
17 was a dedicated member of the Middletown Knights of Columbus, the Fraternal Order of Police
18 Association, and was a parishioner of St. Mary's Church in Newport. In addition to teaching,
19 Rick also ran the Jr. Sports Program at the Spouting Rock Beach Association for twenty-five
20 years; and

1 WHEREAS, Besides his wife, Rick leaves behind three daughters, Jennifer E. Hole,
2 Heather Hole Strout and her husband, Richard, and Jonna Hole Conheeney and her husband,
3 Adam. He also was the grandfather of five grandchildren, Christopher and Jenna Strout, and
4 Adeline, Anna, and Adam Conheeney. He also leaves behind his sisters Leslie Maher and her
5 husband, Mike, Roberta Cecchi and her husband, Mike, his brother John Hole and his wife,
6 Kathy, and his brother-in-law Richard Carroll. His sister Jerilyn "Dede" Gleason Carroll and his
7 brother-in-law Jack Gleason preceded Rick in death. Rick was also a loving uncle to many nieces
8 and nephews; now, therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
10 hereby expresses its deepest condolences on the passing of Henry R. "Rick" Hole; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
13 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Jacqueline Feeney Hole.

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