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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING JESSICA COOK ON HER ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE CYBER  
FOUNDATION COMPETITION

Introduced By: Senators DeVall, and Gallo

Date Introduced: January 25, 2012

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1           WHEREAS, The Cyber Foundation Competition is a national online contest to identify  
2 talented high school students with the skills to pursue advanced education and job opportunities  
3 in the cyber security field, one of the most in-demand career fields; and

4           WHEREAS, These young people combine a passion for technology with extraordinary  
5 talent. This competition is a fun and innovative way to help meet the urgent need to develop  
6 young talent in the cyber security field, which remains woefully lacking in top professionals; and

7           WHEREAS, The Cyber Foundation is a perfect way to engage our students in cyber  
8 security training. Some of the state's finest high-tech high school students were winners of the  
9 Rhode Island Cyber Foundations Competition; and

10           WHEREAS, More than 300 students signed up for Rhode Island's latest contest, the  
11 highest participation of any state in the country, and more than double the number of Rhode  
12 Islanders from the last competition. The students competed in timed quizzes to test their aptitude  
13 in the three most important foundational skills of effective cyber security: networking, operating  
14 systems, and system administration; and

15           WHEREAS, Jessica Cook, a senior at East Providence High School, ranked first among  
16 her peers within the City, placed fourth in the State Competition, and 274<sup>th</sup> in the Country; now,  
17 therefore be it

18           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
19 hereby honors and congratulates Jessica Cook on her accomplishments in the Cyber Foundation

1 Competition and wish her the very best in all of her future endeavors; and be it further  
2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Miss Jessica Cook.

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