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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE COVENTRY HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY TEAM ON WINNING
THE 2011 RHODE ISLAND DIVISION II STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Introduced By: Senators Kettle, Shibley, Felag, Algieri, and Lynch

Date Introduced: April 26, 2012

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, After completing a sweep of Prout High School in the title series, the
2 Coventry High School Hockey team has captured their second consecutive Rhode Island
3 Interscholastic League (RIIL) Division II state title; and

4 WHEREAS, The strong team effort and gritty play that has epitomized the season for
5 Coventry was evident at the state championships when the Knotty Oakers Hockey team's high
6 powered offense combined with an equally potent defense to demonstrate why they are the top
7 team in the division; and

8 WHEREAS, Playing in their final RIIL High School Hockey game, senior captains, Alex
9 Zannella, P.J. Stringfellow, Zach Levesque and Connor DiPetro were instrumental to the overall
10 success of the team, each making a significant and noteworthy contribution to the hard fought
11 victory; and

12 WHEREAS, This season was a true team effort, one that saw four solid lines filled with
13 talented players working together to dominate Division II, culminating with an MVP performance
14 in the title game by Michael Pesola; and

15 WHEREAS, Coventry Coach Ken Bird's leadership, and the coaching staffs' hard work,
16 were key to gaining the team's commitment to the mental preparedness and physical endurance
17 needed during the long interscholastic season and the state championship tournament; now,
18 therefore be it

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

1 hereby congratulates Coach Ken Bird and the Coventry High School Hockey Team on winning
2 the 2011 Rhode Island Interscholastic League Division II State Championship; 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 Coach Ken Bird.

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