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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING SISTER MARGARET GARVEY P.B.V.M. ON HER 75TH  
ANNIVERSARY AS A RELIGIOUS SISTER OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE BLESSED  
VIRGIN MARY

Introduced By: Senators Crowley, and Metts

Date Introduced: May 03, 2012

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, Sister Margaret Garvey was born in Central Falls on September 13, 1919, to  
2 John A. and Margaret (Jennings) Garvey. She graduated from Holy Trinity Elementary Catholic  
3 School and Sacred Heart Catholic High School in Pawtucket; and

4           WHEREAS, Sister Margaret earned a Bachelor's degree from Catholic College in  
5 Providence and a Master's degree in education from St. Rose College in Albany, New York. In  
6 1937, she entered in the Religious order of the Sisters of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin  
7 Mary P.B.V.M. and devoted her life to the Lord and to educating young children and preparing  
8 them academically and spiritually to live good lives; and

9           WHEREAS, Her teaching career spanned forty years. She was the Principal of St. Mary's  
10 School in Ayer, Massachusetts, Holy Family School in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, and Holy  
11 Trinity School in Central Falls. Shortly after her retirement, she served the Diocese of Providence  
12 as a Religion Education Consultant; and

13           WHEREAS, She retired to the Mother House in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, where she  
14 currently enjoys a quiet, prayerful time with long-time friends and other religious sisters who  
15 have retired from active parish duties; and

16           WHEREAS, Sister Margaret is the last living child of John and Mary, surviving her  
17 brothers Raymond and Francis, both former mayors of Central Falls, James, former Principal of  
18 Central Falls High School and City Clerk of Central Falls, George, a postal worker, John, a  
19 Central Falls firefighter, and Daniel, an attorney; now, therefore be it

1           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
2 hereby congratulates Sister Margaret Garvey P.B.V.M. on the joyous occasion of her 75<sup>th</sup>  
3 anniversary as a religious Sister of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We wish her  
4 continued good health, happiness, and spiritual fulfillment; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
6 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Sister Margaret Garvey P.B.V.M.

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