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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

SENATE RESOLUTION

HONORING BRUCE MCINTYRE FOR HIS HEROIC ACTIONS

Introduced By: Senators Paiva Weed, Tassoni, and DeVall

Date Introduced: June 12, 2012

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, Although the afternoon of Saturday, June 2, 2012, was not a propitious one
2 for the Dream Catcher, the vessel's two crew members, Gary Wallace, 50, and Tyler Corbitt, 53,
3 both of Florida, had the good fortune to be located off the coast of Jamestown Island when their
4 32-foot Blackfin fishing boat succumbed to the angry waters; and

5 WHEREAS, The 12-foot waves and roaring winds challenged a rescue attempt of a 6-
6 man Coast Guard team that was trying valiantly to extract the two crew members from the Dream
7 Catcher. As the Coast Guard boat circled the insecurely anchored Dream Catcher, one man
8 attempted to jump to safety, only to be thrown into the churning maelstrom; and

9 WHEREAS, Jamestown resident Bruce McIntyre, who was out walking his dog on the
10 shore and witnessed the horrific episode as it unfolded before his eyes, sprang into action.
11 Without concern for his own safety, he ran down to an outcropping of rocks and pulled the man
12 free from their sharp edges and the dangerous waves; and

13 WHEREAS, It is a rare person who will deliberately put himself into harm's way. Bruce
14 McIntyre has demonstrated through his actions and his instantaneous response that he is a true
15 hero who simply cannot stand still when others face peril. He has earned our admiration and
16 praise, and we thank him for making Rhode Island a safer place for friends and strangers alike;
17 now, therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
19 hereby recognizes and applauds Bruce McIntyre, an extraordinarily heroic individual and a

1 person eminently worthy of our emulation and acknowledgement; 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 Mr. Bruce McIntyre.

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