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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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SENATE RESOLUTION

HONORING SENATOR BEATRICE A. LANZI FOR HER SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF  
THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, Goodwin, Algieri, and Gallo

Date Introduced: June 12, 2012

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, To the immense good fortune of the people of Cranston, Beatrice Lanzi  
2 chose a life path that would eventually lead to a vocation in public service. In November of 1991,  
3 she was elected to the Rhode Island House of Representatives, serving the people of District 22  
4 for ten years, and on November 5<sup>th</sup> of 2002, she was elected to the Rhode Island Senate, a  
5 position she has held for the past ten years; and

6           WHEREAS, Over the last two decades, Senator Lanzi has lent her expertise and unique  
7 insights to a myriad of legislative committees. She currently serves as the Senate Deputy  
8 President Pro Tempore, is the Vice Chairwoman of the Senate Committee on Rules,  
9 Secretary of the Senate Committee on Corporations, and Secretary of the Senate Committee on  
10 Education; and

11           WHEREAS, Senator Lanzi is a graduate of Cranston West High School. She received her  
12 Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Rhode Island College and her Master's degree in  
13 Communication Studies from Emerson College. She is the mother of a beautiful daughter, Sofia-  
14 Rose; and

15           WHEREAS, As a strong voice on educational and youth issues in the Senate, Senator  
16 Lanzi has been instrumental in supporting and enacting legislation on Safe Schools, prohibiting  
17 "sexting" and cyberbullying, and Toxic Mold Protection; and

18           WHEREAS, Senator Lanzi has distinguished herself as a national leader on the issue of  
19 teen dating violence awareness and prevention. Sponsor of the Lindsay Ann Burke Act, which

1 utilizes education as a tool for prevention of dating violence, Senator Lanzi joined national  
2 forums to discuss the innovative approach she spearheaded in Rhode Island; and

3 WHEREAS, Senator Lanzi's commitment to the community includes membership on  
4 numerous local organizations, including the American Council of Young Political Leaders and  
5 serving as a member of Cranston's Ward 5 Democratic Committee. She is employed as the  
6 Director of the Labor Community Services for United Way of Rhode Island and is an Instructor  
7 of Communication and Professional Communication; and

8 WHEREAS, Over the past course of her twenty-year tenure with the General Assembly,  
9 Senator Lanzi has been noted for her outstanding work and thorough professionalism. Her  
10 abiding leadership and outstanding service on behalf of the citizens of Rhode Island will long be  
11 praised, and we know that in all her future endeavors, she will continue to provide strong  
12 advocacy for all Rhode Islanders; now, therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
14 hereby joins the family and many friends of Senator Lanzi in recognizing and celebrating her  
15 inspirational career of service to the Rhode Island Senate. We, moreover, wish the Honorable Bea  
16 Lanzi continued success, happiness, and fulfillment; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
18 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to The Honorable Beatrice A. Lanzi.

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