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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

**CONGRATULATING MALINDA BRIDGES ON RECEIVING THE 2012 ADLER POLLOCK
& SHEEHAN DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP**

Introduced By: Representatives Guthrie, Tomasso, Chippendale, Morgan, and Serpa

Date Introduced: January 03, 2013

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is fitting that this House recognizes those students who, through their
2 talents and unflagging commitment to excellence, have distinguished themselves in both
3 academia and within their communities; and

4 WHEREAS, Malinda Bridges grew up in Coventry. She attended Coventry High School,
5 graduated summa cum laude from Rhode Island College, and is currently attending the University
6 of Virginia School of Law. In addition to her spectacular academic record, Malinda has attained
7 a profundity of honors and awards and has amassed a resume of inspiring achievements that have
8 distinguished her as a well-rounded and multifaceted individual; and

9 WHEREAS, As a Justice Studies student at RIC, Malinda received the Mary Ann
10 Hawkes Award, the highest honor a Justice Studies student can attain. This honor is granted to
11 the student who best exemplifies the mission and goals of the Justice Studies program. Malinda
12 was the only student in the program to achieve a 4.0 GPA and to have completed an honors thesis
13 in the program; and

14 WHEREAS, In addition, Malinda co-founded Live, Inspire, Fight, Educate (L.I.F.E.), a
15 diversity-focused organization that is committed to helping bring about a culture which addresses
16 common global concerns in a positive, holistic, and transforming way. The organization's efforts
17 and determination to engage and guide the entire student body towards the path of living together
18 in peace earned it the "Organization of the Year Award"; and

19 WHEREAS, By demonstrating these myriad exemplary qualities, Ms. Bridges was

1 chosen by the Adler Pollock & Sheehan Diversity committee to receive its 2012 scholarship
2 award. As a young woman of immense talent and unsurpassed character, Malinda has exhibited a
3 commitment to excellence that, combined with her intellectual aptitude and ambition, surely bode
4 well for her future success and her noteworthy accomplishments are not only a tremendous source
5 of pride for her family, but also make her eminently worthy of our recognition and praise; now,
6 therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
8 Providence Plantations hereby honors and congratulates Malinda Bridges on receiving the
9 prestigious 2012 Adler Pollock & Sheehan Diversity Scholarship. The entire membership
10 extends best wishes for her continued success and happiness; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
12 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Malinda Bridges.

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