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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF SERAFIM COSTA

Introduced By: Representative James N. McLaughlin

Date Introduced: January 10, 2013

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Serafim
2 "Sam" Costa, the beloved husband of the late Helen R. Costa, the loving father of two sons,
3 Donald Costa, and his wife, Cheryl, and Paul Costa, and his wife, Sheila. He was also the
4 grandfather of Kristen, Courtney, Ryan, and Emily; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in South Attleboro, Mr. Costa was the son of the late Julio and Mary
6 Costa, and brother of the late Grace Silva, Tony Costa, Joseph DaCosta, Maria Nunes, and Idy
7 Costa. He had been a longtime resident of the Town of Cumberland; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Costa served our country honorably in the United States Army during
9 World War II, in the European, African, and Middle Eastern Campaigns. He had been wounded
10 in action and was awarded the Purple Heart. He was also honored with the Bronze Star, the
11 World War II Victory Medal, the Combat Infantryman Badge 1st Award, and the Honorable
12 Service Award Button; and

13 WHEREAS, A loyal and hardworking man, Mr. Costa was employed for over twenty
14 years as a machinist by the former Standard Nut & Bolt Co., located in Cumberland; and

15 WHEREAS, Active in the community, Mr. Costa was the oldest, lifelong, living member
16 of the Clube Juventude Lusitana and was a lifelong member of the Filibuster Club. He was also a
17 communicant of Our Lady of Fatima Church; and

18 WHEREAS, Mr. Costa was a loving husband, a devoted father, and a doting grandfather.
19 He enriched the lives of all who knew him and he will be dearly missed; now, therefore be it

20 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and

1 Providence Plantations hereby expresses our deepest sympathies on the passing of Serafim Costa;
2 and be it further
3 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he is hereby authorized and directed to
4 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Costa and Mr. and Mrs.
5 Paul Costa.

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