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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

RECOGNIZING THE OCEAN STATE THEATRE COMPANY UPON ITS INAUGURAL SEASON AND DECLARING JANUARY 25, 2013, AS "OCEAN STATE THEATRE DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Representatives Ferri, Shekarchi, McNamara, Bennett, and Trillo

Date Introduced: January 24, 2013

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, The State of Rhode Island is proud to recognize the Ocean State Theatre
2 Company as it enters and celebrates its Inaugural Season ensconced in its new home in the City
3 of Warwick; and

4 WHEREAS, The Ocean State Theatre Company, a not-for-profit producing entity, was
5 formed in 2007 to reopen the historic landmark, Theatre-by-the-Sea; and

6 WHEREAS, According to Ocean State Theatre Company's mission statement, the
7 organization focuses its energy on preserving and passing on the tradition of live, professional
8 theatre, including the American Musical, and pursuing avenues of enrichment and education for
9 the benefit of the State of Rhode Island and the surrounding region through the theatre arts; and

10 WHEREAS, The Ocean State Theatre Company has produced numerous plays, musicals,
11 and children's performances, entertaining thousands of men, women, and children and delighting
12 residents and tourists alike; and

13 WHEREAS, Not-for-profit theaters like the Ocean State Theatre Company contribute
14 billions of dollars to the national economy, develop our cultural environment, and create both
15 full-time and part-time jobs for the states in which they are located; now, therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
17 Providence Plantations, on behalf of all our citizens, hereby applauds the contributions, hard
18 work, and dedication that the Ocean State Theatre Company has displayed over the past six years.
19 We commend the organization for transforming an empty warehouse building into a live theatre

1 space that provides professional, first-class entertainment for the residents of the City of Warwick
2 and the State of Rhode Island, and for those that live beyond our state's borders; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That this House hereby congratulates the Ocean State Theatre Company
4 upon the occasion of the opening of its Inaugural Season and declares January 25, 2013, as
5 "Ocean State Theatre Day" in the State of Rhode Island. We extend our best wishes for the
6 Theatre's continued success; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
8 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to The Ocean State Theatre Company.

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