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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013**

#### AN ACT

# VALIDATING AND RATIFYING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HOME RULE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WOONSOCKET

Introduced By: Representatives Baldelli-Hunt, Casey, and Phillips

Date Introduced: January 31, 2013

Referred To: House Municipal Government

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. In all respects in which the amendment to the Home Rule charter of the city 2 of Woonsocket, which amendment was adopted and approved by the electors of the city of 3 Woonsocket on November 8, 2011, and which amendment provides that candidates for elective public office in the city of Woonsocket be elected at the general state elections to be held on even 4 5 numbered years commencing in the year 2016, may require ratification, confirmation, validation, 6 or enactment by the general assembly, but in no other respects, the provisions of said amendment 7 to the Home Rule Charter of the city of Woonsocket are hereby ratified, confirmed, validated and 8 enacted. It is the express intention of the general assembly, by the passage of this act, to give 9 effect to, ratify, confirm, validate and enact those provisions of the said amendment to the Home 10 Rule Charter of the city of Woonsocket which require ratification, confirmation, validation or 11 enactment and by the passage of this act, the legislature does hereby ratify, confirm, validate and 12 enact said provisions, but nothing in this act shall be construed to abrogate or impair the powers now or hereafter granted to cities and towns by the Home Rule amendment and other applicable 13 14 laws of the State of Rhode Island or those rights retained by said city of Woonsocket in its Home Rule Charter. 15

16 SECTION 2. If any provision of this act, or the application thereof to the city of 17 Woonsocket or to any person or circumstances is deemed invalid for any reason, the remainder of 18 this act, or the application of such provision to said city or other persons or circumstances shall

- 1 not be affected thereby, and to this end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.
  - SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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#### **EXPLANATION**

### BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

#### OF

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1 This act would validate and ratify amendments to the Home Rule Charter of the city of

2 Woonsocket, which amendments were adopted and approved by the electors of the city of

3 Woonsocket on November 8, 2011.

4 This act would take effect upon passage.

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