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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING APRIL 11TH OF 2013 TO BE "CHILD CARE AWARENESS DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Diaz, Slater, Cimini, Tanzi, and Almeida

Date Introduced: February 28, 2013

Referred To: House Health, Education & Welfare

1	WHEREAS, On April 11th of 2013, a panoply of citizens representing myriad
2	organizations and institutions from across our state will gather to celebrate the second annual
3	Child Care Awareness Day; and
4	WHEREAS, This event is being held "to highlight the work of various organizations and
5	programs in the state that work every day to improve the lives of children, youth, and families by
6	providing high quality care and education"; and
7	WHEREAS, Research on the human brain reveals that an overwhelming amount of a
8	person's lifetime brain development occurs during early childhood, before the age of three; and
9	WHEREAS, To be prepared for success, our children must receive high quality child care
10	from caregivers who have the appropriate skills, education, and training; and
11	WHEREAS, A child care teacher's day is spent interacting with children and caring for
12	their needs, because it is through play, interaction, and socializing that children learn the
13	fundamentals about others, as well as the world around them; and
14	WHEREAS, High quality child care is sensitive, responsive, personal, and
15	developmentally appropriate. It provides the proper nurturing that children need at one of the
16	most critical and vulnerable times in their lives; and
17	WHEREAS, It is of immense importance that Rhode Island's children receive the highest
18	quality care and are challenged at an early age, so that they may develop the necessary abilities to

thrive in adulthood and someday lead our state into an even brighter future; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby proclaims the 11th of April, 2013, to be the second annual "Child 2 3 Care Awareness Day." We urge all the citizens of the state to join with us in recognizing the 4 tremendous skills, dedication, diligence, and value of the laudable child care providers who 5 protect and nourish our children and equip them for future success; and be it further 6 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to 7 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the President of the Child Care Directors Association, the Director of Prevent Child Abuse RI, and the Chair of the Permanent Legislative 8 9 Commission on Child Care.

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