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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

EXPRESSING SINCERE CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF RAYMOND E. MELLO

Introduced By: Representative E Coderre

Date Introduced: March 14, 2013

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that this House has learned of the passing of
2 Raymond E. Mello, a man who was deeply devoted to his family. Born eighty-two years ago in
3 Pawtucket to the late Joseph and Agnes (Tavares) Mello, Raymond was the husband of Marie
4 (Campillo) Mello; and

5 WHEREAS, Our thoughts and hearts hold great empathy and sorrow for his family. We
6 grieve with his daughters, Helen DiBiase and Barbara Mello, two grandchildren, and three great-
7 grandchildren; and

8 WHEREAS, Over the years Mr. Mello worked deliberately to improve his community,
9 his state, and his nation. Raymond served honorably in the United States Navy during the Korean
10 War. His stint in the Navy changed his life, most notably because it was during his time with the
11 Navy in Morocco that he met and fell in love with his wife, Marie, who also worked on the Naval
12 base; and

13 WHEREAS, Upon his return to the United States, Raymond worked for many years as
14 the manager of the Pawtucket Ice Rink, before he retired. He devoted himself to his community
15 through his efforts as a member of the Pawtucket Elks Lodge No. 920 and as a member of the
16 Portuguese Social Club. Raymond supported the efforts of the General Assembly by serving as a
17 doorman for the Rhode Island House of Representatives; and

18 WHEREAS, Even though we are diminished by this loss and mourn the passing of
19 Raymond, so must we celebrate the spirit, generosity, and courage with which he lived every day
20 of his life; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
2 Providence Plantations hereby expresses our deepest sympathy to the family and many friends of
3 Raymond E. Mello. He will be truly missed; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Marie Mello.

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