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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

HOUSE RESOLUTION

DECLARING JUNE 10, 2013, AS GERTRUDE "MEMERE" RONDEAU DAY IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Representative Stephen M. Casey

Date Introduced: June 11, 2013

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, There are some people you meet in life who stand out as a result of the 2 principles they hold dear, their strength of character, and the actions by which they demonstrate 3 their concern for the world around them. Gertrude Rondeau is this kind of an exceptional person; 4 and WHEREAS, Gertrude Rondeau was born in Sorreal, Quebec, Canada. As a young child, 5 6 she moved to Woonsocket. Like many other children of her generation, she grew up knowing that 7 work is simply love made visible. Whether it was through the efforts she made at the textile mill 8 in which she labored for many years to provide for her family, or in the time she spent raising her 9 wonderful son, Gertrude consistently modeled an exuberance for life that was infectious. As she 10 became a grandmother to three grandchildren and a great-grandmother to seven, Gertrude has 11 continued to strive -- in ways both big and small -- to make their community a better, more loving 12 place; and 13 WHEREAS, All who have known Gertrude have admired her for her charitable 14 disposition, friendly demeanor, cheerful attitude, and willingness to always help a loved one, 15 friend, or colleague in need. Now the matriarch of a close family, she serves as an inspiration for 16 subsequent generations to carry on her legacy of compassion, determination, and selflessness; now, therefore be it 17

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

Providence Plantations hereby declares June 10, 2013, as Gertrude "Memere" Rondeau Day in

- 1 the State of Rhode Island. May we all strive to emulate Gertrude's example on this and every day;
- 2 and be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 4 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Gertrude Rondeau.

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