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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

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SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING OMAR ZAKI ON BEING SELECTED AS ONE OF RHODE ISLAND'S  
DISTINGUISHED FINALISTS IN THE 18TH ANNUAL PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF  
COMMUNITY AWARDS PROGRAM

Introduced By: Senator V. Susan Sosnowski

Date Introduced: February 28, 2013

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1           WHEREAS, The Prudential Spirit of Community Award, presented by Prudential  
2 Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors  
3 young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to  
4 serving their communities; and

5           WHEREAS, Omar Zaki, a junior at South Kingstown High School, has achieved national  
6 recognition for exemplary volunteer service by being selected as one of the distinguished finalists  
7 for the 2013 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards; and

8           WHEREAS, The recipients of this award clearly demonstrate that young people across  
9 America are making remarkable contributions to the health and vitality of their communities and  
10 deserve all the praise and appreciation that we can give them; and

11           WHEREAS, Omar earned this award by generously giving his time and energy to raise  
12 an amazing \$5,000 through an organization he founded in 2011, called "Global Health"; and

13           WHEREAS, Through his generous donation, Omar was able to provide 1,000 care  
14 packages to families suffering from poverty in countries such as Haiti and Egypt; and

15           WHEREAS, The names of nearly 5,000 local nominees are submitted by various schools  
16 and organizations across the country and are then reviewed by an independent panel. The panel  
17 then selects the State Honorees and Distinguished Finalists based on criteria including personal  
18 initiative, effort, impact, and personal growth; and

19           WHEREAS, The success of the State of Rhode Island, the strength of our communities,

1 and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of  
2 young people like Mr. Zaki who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now,  
3 therefore be it

4           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
5 hereby congratulates Omar Zaki on being selected as one of the 2013 Prudential Spirit of  
6 Community Award finalists. We furthermore recognize and applaud his outstanding record of  
7 volunteer service, peer leadership, and community spirit, and extends our best wishes for his  
8 continued success and happiness; and be it further

9           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
10 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Omar Zaki.

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