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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING ALAN LORD ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

Introduced By: Senators Sosnowski, Hodgson, and Algieri

Date Introduced: July 01, 2013

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, It takes a special kind of person to handle the endless details associated with
2 the sound financial management of a municipality. An ability to develop, monitor, and stick to
3 short- and long-term fiscal plans, to scrutinize workloads and staff assignments, and to contribute
4 to healthy dialogue during contract negotiations are just a subset of the skills and abilities that go
5 into healthy municipal oversight. To the immense good fortune of the people of South
6 Kingstown, Alan Lord has used his considerable financial acumen to support the town's financial
7 needs for more than three decades; and

8 WHEREAS, Alan earned a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting from the University of
9 Rhode Island in 1977. Within a handful of years, he found himself in exactly the place he wanted
10 to be: working with the Town of South Kingstown, at first as the Town Accountant; and

11 WHEREAS, Alan quickly earned the trust of South Kingstown, which appointed him as
12 its Director of Finance in 1981. For the next 32 years, Alan's natural talents and critical eye were
13 directed at ensuring the town's fiscal health and well-being. His leadership in the field garnered
14 him the admiration of his peers, who awarded him the Government Finance Officers
15 Association's Finance Director of the Year Award in 1998. Alan's accomplishments were also
16 recognized by the Office of the Governor, which awarded him the Goodrich Award for
17 distinguished service to Rhode Island taxpayers in 1994; and

18 WHEREAS, Generations of residents in South Kingstown have Alan to thank for the
19 town's continued financial stability and growth. A long-time resident himself, Alan takes pride in
20 the town's reputation as an outstanding place to settle and raise a family, which is exactly what he

1 did with his lovely wife, Cindy, as they brought up their four wonderful children, Julie,
2 Stephanie, Jeff, and Alison; now, therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
4 hereby congratulates Alan Lord on the occasion of his retirement after more than three decades
5 serving as South Kingstown's Director of Finance. We join his family and many friends in
6 wishing him the best of luck and happiness as he begins the next chapter of his life; and be it
7 further

8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to send
9 a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Alan Lord.

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