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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014**

### HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING MR. SHERWOOD "WOODY" SPRING ('63) ON BEING SELECTED TO BE THE FIRST RECIPIENT OF THE PONAGANSET REGIONAL SCHOOL SYSTEM'S "DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD"

Introduced By: Representatives Chippendale, Winfield, and Keable

Date Introduced: January 16, 2014

Referred To: House read and passed

WHEREAS, The Ponaganset Regional School System, which is comprised of 6<sup>th</sup> through 1 2 12<sup>th</sup> grade students who live in Foster and Glocester, Rhode Island, has established a 3 "Distinguished Alumni Award"; and 4 WHEREAS, To be a recipient of this prestigious award, a person must have made major 5 contributions to their communities, their career fields and/or society. Also, a recipient must have 6 graduated from Ponaganset High School, their graduation must have been 10 years prior to 7 nomination and consideration, and they must demonstrate the highest ethical conduct and moral 8 character. A committee of alumni, former faculty, and administrators solicit and review all 9 applicants before making a final determination as to who the recipient of this distinguished award 10 will be; and 11 WHEREAS, Mr. Sherwood "Woody" Spring, a retired United States Army Colonel and 12 retired astronaut, is the first recipient of this award. Mr. Spring's career includes graduation from 13 the prestigious United States Military Academy at West Point, a Master's degree from the 14 University of Arizona, graduation from the United States Naval Test Pilot School, and graduation 15 from the Defense Systems Management College. Mr. Spring also served as Mission Specialist on 16 the NASA Shuttle Atlantis in 1985; now, therefore be it 17 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Mr. Sherwood "Woody" Spring ('63) on being 18 19 selected as the first recipient of the Ponaganset Regional School System's "Distinguished Alumni

- 1 Award"; and be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Sherwood "Woody" Spring.

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