

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING SINCERE CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF S. HENRY FORTE

Introduced By: Senators Lombardo, Lynch, Paiva Weed, and Goodwin

Date Introduced: January 22, 2014

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, It is with utmost sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of S.
2 Henry Forte, beloved husband of Shirley Forte for sixty-five years, devoted father of Michael
3 Forte and his wife, Rebecca, Suzanne Doucette and her husband, Roland, and Pamela Godfrey
4 and her husband, Steve. He was also the proud grandfather of eight grandchildren, Brian
5 Doucette and wife, Rebecca, Gregory Doucette and wife, Dana, Megan Godfrey, Kaitlyn
6 Godfrey, Michael Forte, Jr., and wife, Tricia, William Forte, Christopher Forte, and Cameron
7 Forte, and two great-grandchildren, Henry Doucette and Alexander Doucette; and

8 WHEREAS, Born in Providence, Mr. Forte was the son of the late Robert and Rose
9 Forte. He is survived by his brother, David Forte. He was a graduate of Cranston High School
10 and attended the University of Rhode Island and Tulane University in Louisiana. For thirty-eight
11 years, he had been employed as an Electronic Engineer by Executone in East Providence; and

12 WHEREAS, Mr. Forte had served our country with honor and distinction in the United
13 States Navy during WWII. He later served in the Merchant Marines; and

14 WHEREAS, Committed to serving his community and his faith, Mr. Forte was a member
15 and had served as deacon of Phillips Memorial Baptist Church in Cranston. He was also a
16 member of the RI Ham Operator's Association, Doric Lodge #38 F&AM (Harmony Lodge # 9
17 affiliate), Scottish Rite Valley of Providence, and the Rhode Island Shriners and its Oriental Band
18 Unit; and

19 WHEREAS, Mr. Forte was a steadfast gentleman who left this world a far better place
20 because of his life's endeavors. He enriched the lives of all who knew him and he will be dearly

1 missed; now, therefore be it

2 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
3 hereby expresses our deepest sympathies to the entire Forte Family on the passing of S. Henry
4 Forte; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
6 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Shirley Forte and Family.

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