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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

JOYOUSLY CELEBRATING THE 5TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ELMWOOD ADULT DAY HEALTH CARE CENTER

Introduced By: Representatives Slater, Diaz, Hull, Williams, and Lombardi

Date Introduced: May 21, 2015

Referred To: House read and passed

WHEREAS, On March 29, 2010, the Elmwood community welcomed the opening of the 1 2 much-needed, and much-desired, Elmwood Adult Day Health Care Center. By taking over a 3 piece of property that had become a neighborhood eyesore, due to being vacant, in disrepair, and 4 suffering from frequent vandalism, and turning it into a vibrant community health center, the Elmwood community became the beneficiaries of better access to quality health care, and reduced 5 criminal activity in the neighborhood; and 6 7 WHEREAS, The services provided by the center proved to be so highly in demand that a 8 second Elmwood Adult Day Health Care Center was needed, and on April 24, 2013, a second 9 such community center was opened on Miner Street in Providence; and 10 WHEREAS, The two Elmwood Adult Day Health Care Centers provide much-needed 11 health care services for seniors fifty-five and older and disabled adults over the age of twenty-12 one. All services are covered by Medicaid, at little to no cost to the patrons, and services are 13 especially encouraged for individuals with diabetes, high blood pressure, depression and memory 14 loss; and 15 WHEREAS, The Elmwood Adult Day Health Care Centers offer a myriad of health care 16 services targeted to improve the quality of life on a daily basis for their patrons. Services provided included skilled nursing assistance, social services, including counseling, support 17

groups, and assistance in applying for benefits and services, transportation services, dietary

assistance from a registered dietician, pharmaceutical assistance and physical therapy assistance;

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2	WHEREAS, The two Elmwood centers also offer a broad range of fun and therapeutic
3	activities that enrich and stimulate the lives of those who participate. These programs include
4	music and dance, exercise classes, arts and crafts projects, talent shows, birthday parties,
5	computer classes, singing, citizenship classes and many more similar programs; now, therefore be
5	it

7 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby joyously celebrates the 5th Anniversary of the Elmwood Adult 8 9 Day Health Care Center; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to 10 11 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Joanne O'Day, Program Director, 12 Elmwood Adult Day Health Care Center.

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