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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015**

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**J O I N T   R E S O L U T I O N**

**PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 13TH OF 2015 AS "NATIONAL GRANDPARENTS DAY" IN  
THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives McNamara, Trillo, Azzinaro, Morin, and Lancia

Date Introduced: June 17, 2015

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, In 1978, President Jimmy Carter signed a proclamation declaring that  
2 National Grandparents Day would be celebrated every year on the first Sunday after Labor Day.  
3 This year marks the thirty-sixth Anniversary of that celebration and falls on September 13<sup>th</sup>; and

4           WHEREAS, Grandmothers and Grandfathers across our state provide inspiration and  
5 support to their children and their grandchildren. They are the unsung heroes whose labors of  
6 love, compassion, and sacrifice too often go unrewarded and unrecognized; and

7           WHEREAS, Grandparents, who have reared their own children, are often once again  
8 called upon to render care for a second generation or serve as the primary caretakers of their  
9 grandchildren. They are the anchors of our families; and

10          WHEREAS, Blessed with insight, courage, and the fortitude to persevere, often on a  
11 limited income, grandparents teach life lessons, share and provide some of life's most cherished  
12 memories, and offer patience, kindness, and the most valuable gifts of time and unconditional  
13 love; and

14          WHEREAS, It is fitting and proper to pay tribute to and recognize the contributions that  
15 grandparents make on a daily basis by providing stability and continuity, and by strengthening  
16 our state and our nation with enduring family values and a link to our national heritage and our  
17 most treasured traditions; now, therefore be it

18          RESOLVED, That this General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence  
19 Plantations hereby proclaims, with profound gratitude, September 13<sup>th</sup> of 2015, to be "National

1 Grandparents Day" in our state. We furthermore encourage the citizens of this state to pay tribute  
2 to their grandparents and any and all members of the senior generation who have played an  
3 important role in their lives.

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