

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

SENATE RESOLUTION

**EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES TO THE WILLIAMSON FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF
JAMES A. WILLIAMSON, JR.**

Introduced By: Senators Satchell, Gallo, Paiva Weed, Raptakis, and Kettle

Date Introduced: March 24, 2015

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, James A. Williamson, Jr., of West Warwick, Rhode Island, was born in
2 Westerly, Rhode Island, the son of Marjorie L. and James A. Williamson, Sr. He was the beloved
3 husband of Maribeth Williamson for more than thirty years, and the devoted father of Abigail
4 Quinn Williamson and Samuel James Williamson; and

5 WHEREAS, Mr. Williamson graduated from West Warwick High School in 1978. After
6 attaining a Bachelor's degree from the University of Rhode Island, he worked for the Rhode
7 Island Department of Transportation for fourteen years, serving the citizens of Rhode Island with
8 honor and integrity, before leaving when he purchased a family business, the West Warwick
9 Country Club; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Williamson was a very civic minded citizen who cared passionately
11 about his community. He was the current Chairman of the West Warwick Planning Board and
12 was a former Chairman of the West Warwick School Committee. At the time of his passing, he
13 was Assistant to the Superintendent of the West Warwick Public Schools; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Williamson was also a passionate sports enthusiast. Until his passing
15 he had served as Treasurer of the West Warwick Basketball League, The West Warwick Cal
16 Ripken League, and the West Warwick Babe Ruth League. He was also a long time member of
17 the West Warwick Wizards Athletic Awards Association. He was an outstanding athlete in his
18 youth, and felt that his true passion in life was coaching his children's sports teams to numerous
19 championships. Some of his proudest moments in life came as he was guiding his children's

1 sports teams to numerous championships. Recently, his daughter Abby joined him on the
2 coaching sidelines and together, they continued the family's championship tradition in athletics;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Williamson also leaves behind his brother, the Honorable Timothy A.
5 Williamson, and his wife, Maryanne, and sister, Kristine D. Williamson, and her husband, Kirk.
6 He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Martha D. Quinn, sister-in-law Jennifer L. Blansfield,
7 and her husband, Chris, and brothers-in-law Cameron P. Quinn, Jr., and his wife Deb, and Mark
8 E. Quinn. He also leaves behind many nieces and nephews, all of whom adored him. He was the
9 son-in-law of the late Cameron P. "Ronnie" Quinn, and brother-in-law of the late Jane M. Quinn;
10 now; therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
12 hereby expresses its deepest condolences to the Williamson Family on the passing of James A.
13 Williamson, Jr.; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
15 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Maribeth Williamson and the Williamson
16 Family.

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