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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

SENATE RESOLUTION

HONORING JENNIFER AND CHRISTOPHER LEPINE ON BEING NAMED THE 2015
"PATRIOTS OF THE YEAR" BY THE UNITED VETERANS' COUNCIL OF WOONSOCKET

Introduced By: Senators Picard, and Cote

Date Introduced: March 25, 2015

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, The United Veterans' Council of Woonsocket bestows the title of "Patriot of
2 the Year" on individuals in the community who have made major contributions to honoring our
3 local veterans. The 2015 recipients of this prestigious title are twin siblings, Jennifer and
4 Christopher Lepine; and

5 WHEREAS, With a desire to have a real impact on the community, and having a
6 grandfather who was in the service, Jennifer and Christopher Lepine chose to organize the
7 building of a park that would provide a permanent home for the City of Woonsocket's veteran
8 ceremonies and observances in order to fulfill the requirements for earning their Girl Scout Gold
9 and Eagle Scout Awards; and

10 WHEREAS, Jennifer focused on marketing the project, while her brother Christopher
11 planned the construction portion. The twins contributed to the physical labor which included
12 spending their weekend hours, for many months, digging dirt, planting bushes, raking leaves,
13 spreading loam, making cement, raising flagpoles, and getting benches assembled; and

14 WHEREAS, The completion of the job was a city-wide effort, with numerous man hours
15 donated by a plethora of volunteers, the support of the City of Woonsocket, an initial grant of
16 \$10,000 dollars, and sponsorship by the United Veterans' Council of Woonsocket. The half-acre
17 lot was dedicated "to the men and women of our community who served our country in times of
18 peace and war, and especially to those who gave their lives in that service" on Veteran's Day,
19 November 11th, 2014; and

1 WHEREAS, Jennifer and Christopher Lepine are eminently deserving of the accolades
2 and regard they have been afforded and have fully distinguished themselves as persons worthy of
3 our recognition; now, therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
5 hereby recognizes and congratulates Jennifer and Christopher Lepine on being the recipients of
6 the "Patriot of the Year" Award from the United Veterans' Council of Woonsocket. We moreover
7 extend our deepest appreciation for their service and extend our best wishes for their continued
8 success, health, and happiness; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
10 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Miss Jennifer Lepine and Mr. Christopher
11 Lepine.

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