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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

## IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

## SENATE RESOLUTION

### CONGRATULATING ARTHUR PAIVA ON BEING SELECTED "CITIZEN OF THE YEAR" BY THE NEWPORT ELKS LODGE #104

Introduced By: Senators DiPalma, Paiva Weed, Goodwin, Cote, and Lombardi Date Introduced: April 07, 2015

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

WHEREAS, The Newport Elks Lodge #104, noted for their charitable acts and a wide variety of benevolent programs that assist the people and communities in Rhode Island, have selected Arthur Paiva to be their "Citizen of the Year"; and WHEREAS, The award was established in order to recognize and encourage "the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity" within the community. Mr. Paiva has been chosen as the recipient of this prestigious award because of his consistent and selfless

7 expenditure of time, talent and energy for the benefit of the people of the City of Newport; and

8 WHEREAS, With honor and distinction, Mr. Paiva served our country for seven years in
9 the United States military, including deployment during the Korean War; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Paiva has dedicated much of his life to helping others and supporting myriad organizations and causes within his community. He has served the Elks as Hoop Shoot Chairman and, as a youth baseball umpire for more than forty years, he has become renowned and acclaimed within the Aquidneck Island Little League Program; and

WHEREAS, In addition, Mr. Paiva has not only been a dedicated blood donor for the
majority of his life, but he has also served as the State Chairman of the Knights of Columbus
Kidney Dialysis Program which provided four kidney dialysis machines to the state; and

WHEREAS, Arthur Paiva has earned the unqualified admiration and respect of one of the largest and most active fraternal organizations in the world, the Elks, as well as the citizenry of the City of Newport. His years of devoted service to the community are truly an inspiration to us

- 1 all; now, therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations hereby congratulates and honors Arthur Paiva on being selected the Newport Elks Lodge #104 "Citizen of the Year." We applaud his accomplishments and wish him the very best health and continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 7 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Arthur Paiva.

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