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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

SENATE RESOLUTION

**CELEBRATING "NATIONAL CANCER REGISTRARS WEEK" ON APRIL 6TH THROUGH
THE 10TH, 2015, IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Senators Goodwin, Walaska, Algiere, Crowley, and Sosnowski

Date Introduced: April 08, 2015

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, Cancer Registrars are health care professionals and data management
2 experts who collect and maintain data on persons diagnosed with this devastating disease; and

3 WHEREAS, Cancer Registrars work in a variety of cancer treatment and research
4 settings and manage a wide range of demographic and medical data on those with cancer; and

5 WHEREAS, The collected data informs cancer research, prevention, and treatment
6 programs; and

7 WHEREAS, The information is both submitted to and utilized by state and national
8 cancer registries to enable cancer programs to accurately determine cancer patient populations,
9 measure outcomes or treatment and survival, and formulate plans for improvement; and

10 WHEREAS, The Rhode Island Statewide Cancer Registry operates under the auspices of
11 the Hospital Association of Rhode Island (HARI), which maintains the statewide cancer registry
12 (RICR); and

13 WHEREAS, Funded by the Rhode Island Department of Health and the National
14 Program for Cancer Registries of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, HARI not only
15 collects and maintains data related to Rhode Island's cancer patient population, but also provides
16 support to hospital tumor registries and promotes the American College of Surgeons-approved
17 cancer programs in acute care hospitals throughout the state; and

18 WHEREAS, Rhode Island has more than twenty-five cancer registrars operating across
19 the state. The information collected and compiled by these dedicated and determined

1 professionals is helping to improve diagnosis, treatment, and prevention efforts for many Rhode
2 Islanders; now, therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
4 hereby celebrates "National Cancer Registrars Week" on April 6th through April 10th, 2015. We
5 furthermore recognize and applaud the accomplishments of the Rhode Island Cancer Registry and
6 extend our gratitude for its efforts in fighting cancer in Rhode Island and across the nation; and be
7 it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
9 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the Honorable Gina Raimondo, Governor of the
10 State of Rhode Island, and the Hospital Association of Rhode Island.

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