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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES TO THE LIMA FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF THE
HONORABLE GEORGE CHARLES LIMA, SR.

Introduced By: Senators Felag, Coyne, Ottiano, Paiva Weed, and Nesselbush

Date Introduced: April 16, 2015

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, George Charles Lima, Sr., passed away on April 7, 2015, at the Rhode
2 Island Veterans' Home. He was the husband of the late Emily (Furtado) Lima and the son of the
3 late Joseph and Mary (Pacheco) Lima; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Lima was born in Bristol, Rhode Island, and served his hometown in a
5 variety of official capacities with devotion and integrity. He served as a Rhode Island State
6 Representative from 1957 to 1962, and later as a Rhode Island State Senator from 1975 to 1981,
7 and as a Deputy Senate Majority Leader from 1977 to 1981; and

8 WHEREAS, In addition, Mr. Lima served as a Life Member and Past Captain of the
9 Hydraulion Engine and Hose Company Number 1, was a member of the Bristol Fire Department
10 for 56 years, was the founder of the George C. Lima Funeral Home, and was a leader and active
11 member of many Bristol organizations including, the Bristol County Elks #186, Knights of
12 Columbus #379, American Legion Kearney Post #6, Cup Defenders and Anthony C. Almeida
13 Post # 237 VFW, and was a Past President of the Don Luiz Felipe Society. Mr. Lima was also a
14 communicant of St. Elizabeth Church; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Lima also served our nation in the United States Army during World
16 War II with honor and valor. He was always a proud active participant in numerous patriotic
17 ceremonies and events and attended seventy-five Bristol Fourth of July Parades during his
18 lifetime. Mr. Lima was a well-known and beloved civic, church, and business leader in Bristol.
19 He was always available and willing to offer assistance to anyone in need of help; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Lima leaves behind his children, Oryann Lima and her husband,
2 Raymond Cordeiro, George C. Lima, Jr., and his wife, Bonnie, and Frances Dutelle and her
3 husband, Raymond. He also leaves behind his grandchildren, Raymond Dutelle, Jr., and his
4 fiancée, Cailyn Couto, Alison Miranda and her husband, Brett, Nicholas Lima, Matthew Lima,
5 Margaret Lima, Nathaniel Morency, Noah Morency, Hope Morency, and Ciara Morency, and his
6 great grandchildren, Keegan Dutelle and Ella Miranda. He was the brother of Veronica Dionne;
7 now, therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
9 hereby expresses its condolences to the Lima Family on the passing of the Honorable George
10 Charles Lima, Sr.; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
12 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Oryann Lima, George C. Lima, Jr., and Frances
13 Dutelle.

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