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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

SENATE RESOLUTION

HONORING AND THANKING THE DEDICATED EFFORTS OF RHODE ISLAND'S
RECOVERY COACHES AND CONGRATULATING THE 2ND GRADUATING CLASS OF
THE RECOVERY COACH ACADEMY

Introduced By: Senators Miller, Felag, Lombardi, Archambault, and Satchell

Date Introduced: April 30, 2015

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, A recovery coach is a mentor, a guide, a manager and an all-around support
2 system for persons recovering from addiction; and

3 WHEREAS, As a non-clinician, the recovery coach helps by removing or lessening the
4 personal and environmental struggles to recovery, and assists individuals and their families in
5 finding the resources necessary for achieving and maintaining a successful recovery; and

6 WHEREAS, The objective for each recovery coach is to keep their client sober and to
7 help restore a sense of functionality to their life. Recovery coaching is about preventing relapse,
8 providing structure and a sense of safety in order to protect the client's fragile recovery in early
9 sobriety; and

10 WHEREAS, In Rhode Island, Anchor Recovery and Community Centers, located in
11 Pawtucket, Warwick, and Cranston, encourage people "in all stages of recovery to come to the
12 center, make new friends, or meet old ones, and just enjoy a safe place to be" while they are on
13 their journey through recovery; and

14 WHEREAS, Rhode Island's recovery coaches and Anchor Recovery and Community
15 Centers greatly improve the likelihood of a positive outcome for individuals in need by offering
16 the opportunity, hope, and resources to live happy, healthy, and fulfilling lives without using
17 drugs or alcohol; now, therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
19 hereby honors Rhode Island's recovery coaches and congratulates the newly State Certified Peer

1 Recovery Specialists from the 2nd graduating class of the Recovery Coach Academy and Anchor
2 Recovery and Community Centers for their dedicated efforts and achievements in helping
3 individuals to find a path to successful recovery; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Michelle M. Harter, CRC, Manager, Anchor
6 Recovery and Community Centers.

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