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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016**

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**H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N**

**CONGRATULATING ZACHARY LIBRIZZI ON BEING SELECTED AS ONE OF RHODE ISLAND'S TOP YOUTH VOLUNTEERS IN THE 21ST ANNUAL PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS PROGRAM**

Introduced By: Representatives Trillo, McNamara, Solomon, and Coughlin

Date Introduced: March 01, 2016

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, The Prudential Spirit of Community Award, presented by Prudential  
2 Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors  
3 young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to  
4 serving their communities; and

5           WHEREAS, This year, the names of more than 29,000 nominees from across the country  
6 were submitted by various schools and organizations and were then reviewed by an independent  
7 panel. The panel subsequently selected the State Honorees and Distinguished Finalists based on  
8 criteria including personal initiative, effort, impact, and personal growth; and

9           WHEREAS, Zachary Librizzi, a senior at Saint Raphael Academy, has achieved this  
10 national recognition for his exemplary volunteer service by being selected as one of Rhode  
11 Island's top youth volunteers for the 2016 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards; and

12           WHEREAS, Generously giving his time and energy, and with the help and support of his  
13 family, Zachary earned this award by raising more than \$1 million for the Juvenile Diabetes  
14 Research Foundation (JDRF), through the organization of an annual charity golf tournament. In  
15 addition, over the course of the last fourteen years, he has generated an additional \$75,000 on his  
16 own by annually leading a team in a fundraising walk; and

17           WHEREAS, At the age of ten months, Zachary was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes.  
18 Taking a positive and proactive approach, his parents responded by founding a golf tournament to  
19 raise money for diabetes research. Within a few years, Zachary became an essential component in

1 the fundraising efforts by helping to organize and speaking at the event about the need for a cure.  
2 He also mentors newly diagnosed children and is a camp counselor; and

3 WHEREAS, Zachary Librizzi has clearly demonstrated that young people can make  
4 remarkable contributions to the health and vitality of their communities by using their  
5 considerable talents and resources to serve others and we are proud to acknowledge his success  
6 and accomplishments; now, therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
8 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Zachary Librizzi on being selected as one of Rhode  
9 Island's top youth volunteers of the 2016 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. We  
10 furthermore recognize and applaud his outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leadership,  
11 and community spirit, and extend our best wishes for his continued success and happiness; and be  
12 it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
14 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Zachary Librizzi.

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