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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**

**EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES TO THE RICHARDSON FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF  
CHARLOTTE S. RICHARDSON**

Introduced By: Representative Deborah L. Ruggiero

Date Introduced: March 22, 2016

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, Charlotte S. Richardson was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, the  
2 daughter of the late Charles and Mary Smith. She was the loving wife of Victor C. Richardson for  
3 sixty-eight years; and

4           WHEREAS, Mrs. Richardson worked professionally as an expert bookkeeper in  
5 Providence and for New Visions in Newport. She later retired as the Executive Director of the  
6 Jamestown Senior Center after twenty-two years of distinguished and devoted service; and

7           WHEREAS, Mrs. Richardson also had an esteemed public service career. She was the  
8 first Republican woman elected to the Jamestown Town Council and served her constituents for  
9 multiple terms with integrity and exemplary service. She served as a member of the American  
10 Legion Ladies Auxiliary, the Business and Professional Women's Association, Jamestown  
11 Chapter, and was a member and served on the Board of the Conanicut Grange and Pomona  
12 Grange. She also was a member of the Beavertail Lighthouse Museum Association and served as  
13 secretary; and

14           WHEREAS, Mrs. Richardson, in her free time, enjoyed painting and reading to her  
15 grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She also loved to play the piano and the accordion, and  
16 took great pleasure in playing the piano for the summer Conanicut Yacht Club Youth Group, and  
17 for the Forest Farm Nursing Home; and

18           WHEREAS, In addition to her husband, Victor, Mrs. Richardson leaves behind four  
19 daughters, Karen Richardson, Gaelyn Bunker and her husband, Wayne, Kim Whittenhall and her

1 husband, Wayne, and Pam Jarret, and two brothers, Albert Smith, and Charles Smith. She also  
2 leaves behind four grandchildren, Jennelle Goodburn and her husband, David, Marisa Grondin  
3 and her husband, Jimi, Lucien Jarret and his wife, Kim, and Elena Hughes and her husband,  
4 Steve. She was the sister of the late James Smith. She also leaves many nieces and nephews; now,  
5 therefore be it

6           RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
7 Providence Plantations hereby expresses its condolences to the Richardson Family on the passing  
8 of Charlotte S. Richardson; and be it further

9           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
10 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Victor C. Richardson.

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