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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017**

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**SENATE RESOLUTION**

**CELEBRATING MAY 7TH THROUGH MAY 13TH, 2017, AS "NATIONAL  
CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE  
ISLAND**

Introduced By: Senators Goodwin, Satchell, Kettle, Metts, and Gallo

Date Introduced: May 09, 2017

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, National Correctional Officers Week was first proclaimed on May 5, 1984,  
2 by President Ronald Reagan when he signed Proclamation 5187 creating "National Correctional  
3 Officers Week" to recognize the men and women who work in jails, prisons, and community  
4 correctional fields across the country; and

5           WHEREAS, In 1996, The United States Congress officially changed this designation to  
6 the "National Correctional Officers and Employees Week"; and

7           WHEREAS, National Correctional Officers and Employees Week has been designated as  
8 the week of May 7th through May 13th, 2017, by the United States Department of Justice and the  
9 Federal Bureau of Prisons; and

10           WHEREAS, National Correctional Officers and Employees Week honors the work of  
11 correctional employees and correctional personnel for their service with honor, respect and  
12 integrity; and

13           WHEREAS, National Correctional Officers and Employees Week raises the awareness of  
14 the duties, hazards, and sacrifices made by correctional officers and employees; and

15           WHEREAS, National Correctional Officers and Employees Week in Rhode Island  
16 recognizes employees of the Rhode Island Department of Corrections and the members of the  
17 Rhode Island Brotherhood of Correctional Officers for their role in safeguarding the citizens of  
18 the State by providing safe, secure, and humane incarceration of offenders within their custody;  
19 now, therefore be it

1           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
2 hereby celebrates May 7th through May 13th, 2017, as "National Correctional Officers and  
3 Employees Week" in the State of Rhode Island; and be it further

4           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
5 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Ashbel T. Wall, Director, Rhode Island  
6 Department of Corrections, and Richard Ferruccio, President, Rhode Island Brotherhood of  
7 Correctional Officers.

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