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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE HONORABLE MICHAEL A. TRAFICANTE, DEDICATED PUBLIC SERVANT AND FORMER MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CRANSTON, ON HAVING THE SENIOR CENTER IN CRANSTON RE-NAMED THE "MICHAEL A. TRAFICANTE ENRICHMENT CENTER" IN HIS HONOR

Introduced By: Senators Ruggerio, Gallo, Lombardi, Miller, and Ciccone

Date Introduced: June 28, 2017

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Michael A. Traficante has devoted much of his life in
2 service to the citizens of Cranston. Prior to elective service, Mr. Traficante was a pillar of the
3 community, serving as a math teacher and later Assistant Principal of Cranston East High School.
4 He was also a legendary football and wrestling coach, winning division titles in football in 1972
5 and 1974, and State Championships in football in 1975 and wrestling in 1968; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Traficante began his distinguished public service career when he was
7 elected to the Cranston City Council in 1979, where he served for years. In 1985, he was elected
8 the Mayor of Cranston in a special election and became the longest-serving Mayor in the history
9 of Cranston, serving the city for fourteen years with tireless devotion; and

10 WHEREAS, Since 2004, Mr. Traficante has continued his public service to the citizens
11 of Cranston as a member of the Cranston School Committee. His passionate support for public
12 education, attention to detail and vast knowledge of the complex and difficult issues related to
13 public education have made him an invaluable member of the School Committee; now, therefore
14 be it

15 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
16 hereby congratulates the Honorable Michael A. Traficante on having the senior center in
17 Cranston be re-named the "Michael A. Traficante Enrichment Center" in his honor; and be it
18 further

- 1 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 2 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Michael A. Traficante.

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