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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING AND HONORING CHARLESTOWN POLICE CHIEF JEFFREY ALLEN ON
THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT AFTER THIRTY-TWO YEARS OF DEDICATED
AND DEVOTED PUBLIC SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF SOUTH KINGSTOWN,
CHARLESTOWN, AND THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Representatives Filippi, Craven, McEntee, Price, and Fogarty

Date Introduced: February 27, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Charlestown Police Chief Jeffrey Allen began his distinguished police
2 career at the age of twenty-four when he joined the South Kingstown Police Department in 1986,
3 after graduating from Salve Regina University. He served the South Kingstown Police
4 Department with distinction for twenty-six years working a wide range of criminal cases
5 including homicide and major drug cases, and thanks to his tireless work ethic, strong leadership
6 skills and unshakeable integrity, Chief Allen rose through the ranks, serving five years as a
7 Patrolman, nearly a decade as a Detective, and four years as a Sergeant before eventually rising to
8 the rank of Captain and serving as a Commander for seven years, where he oversaw the South
9 Kingstown Police Department's patrol operations; and

10 WHEREAS, In September of 2012, Chief Allen was the unanimous selection of a three-
11 chief committee to be the next Police Chief of the Town of Charlestown. He was chosen over
12 more than fifty other applicants. Under Chief Allen's guidance and leadership, the Charlestown
13 Police Department went through a rigorous three-year accreditation process beginning in 2014
14 that resulted in full accreditation from the Rhode Island Police Accreditation Commission last
15 Spring; and

16 WHEREAS, Another focal point of Chief Allen's tenure was his strong desire to
17 establish a better working relationship between the Charlestown Police Department and the
18 Narragansett Tribal Police. Thanks in large part to the hard work put in by Chief Allen and his

1 ability to work and communicate well with others, today the Charlestown Police Department has
2 the best relationship it has had in many years with the Narragansett Tribal Police; and

3 WHEREAS, Chief Allen is a man of good character, impeccable integrity, and eminent
4 fairness. His contributions to the Charlestown Police Department and the Town of Charlestown
5 are immense and he will be sorely missed by those with whom he has served, by local elected
6 officials, and by the citizens he served so well; now, therefore be it

7 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
8 Providence Plantations hereby recognizes and thanks Charlestown Police Chief Jeffrey Allen on
9 his retirement after thirty-two years of exemplary public safety service to the citizens of South
10 Kingstown, Charlestown, and Rhode Island; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
12 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Charlestown Police Chief Jeffrey Allen.

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