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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

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

**PROCLAIMING APRIL 5, 2018, TO BE "NATIONAL SERVICE RECOGNITION DAY" IN
THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Morgan, Shekarchi, and Serpa

Date Introduced: April 03, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Service to others is a hallmark of American character and central to how we
2 meet our challenges; and

3 WHEREAS, The nation's towns and cities are increasingly turning to national service and
4 volunteerism as a cost-effective strategy to meet their needs; and

5 WHEREAS, Foster Grandparent Volunteers address the most pressing challenges facing
6 our communities, mentoring students for the jobs of the 21st century; and

7 WHEREAS, National service expands economic opportunity by creating sustainable,
8 resilient communities and providing education and nurturing skills to our children in schools and
9 daycare centers; and

10 WHEREAS, Foster Grandparent Volunteers serve in 25 sites within West Warwick,
11 Coventry, Warwick, Cranston, North Smithfield, and Woonsocket. Fifty-five volunteers bolster
12 the civic, neighborhood and faith-based organizations that are so vital to our economic and social
13 well-being; and

14 WHEREAS, National service represents a unique public-private partnership that invests
15 in community solutions and leverages non-federal resources to strengthen community impact and
16 increase the return to taxpayer dollars; and

17 WHEREAS, The Corporation for National and Community Service shares a priority with
18 local leaders nationwide to engage citizens, improve lives and strengthen communities, and is
19 joining with the National League of Cities, the National Association of Counties, the Cities of

1 Service, and local leaders across the country in support of National Service Recognition Day on
2 April 5, 2018; now, therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
4 Providence Plantations hereby proclaims April 5, 2018, to be "National Service Recognition Day"
5 in the State of Rhode Island and encourages residents to recognize the positive impact of national
6 service within our communities and to thank those who serve and find ways to give back to their
7 communities; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
9 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Diane Richardson, Director of the Foster
10 Grandparent Program in West Warwick.

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