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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

WISHING SIDNEY WALTON, A 99-YEAR- OLD WORLD WAR II VETERAN, WELL ON HIS "NO REGRETS TOUR", WELCOMING HIM TO THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND, AND THANKING HIM FOR HIS EXEMPLARY SERVICE TO OUR NATION

Introduced By: Representatives Azzinaro, Tobon, Fellela, Vella-Wilkinson, and Messier

Date Introduced: April 24, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Sidney Walton, a 99-year-old veteran of World War II, has embarked
2 on a one-year "No Regrets Tour" of the United States in which he will travel to every state and
3 visit every state capital. Mr. Walton plans on meeting all of the Governors and many fellow
4 citizens and veterans on his whirlwind tour that will conclude on his birthday, February 19, 2019;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Walton got the idea for this trip through an event that occurred earlier in
7 his life. In 1940, a year before he joined the United States Army to serve our nation in World War
8 II, he missed a chance to meet some of the last few remaining Civil War Veterans in New York
9 City's Central Park. It was a missed opportunity that he has regretted his entire life; and

10 WHEREAS, Mr. Walton began his "No Regrets Tour" in New Orleans with a visit to the
11 National World War II Museum, will visit his birthplace in New York, the White House, and will
12 greet and meet countless veterans, dignitaries and appreciative citizens along the way. As the
13 "Greatest Generation" passes away, here is one last opportunity to thank a member of that
14 generation who served our nation so nobly through its period of greatest need. Their contributions
15 to our nation and in the preservation of civilization itself, should never be forgotten; now,
16 therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
18 Providence Plantations hereby thanks Mr. Sidney Walton for his heroic and meritorious service to
19 our nation, joyously celebrates his "No Regrets Tour" of the United States, and warmly welcomes

1 him to the State of Rhode Island; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to

3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Sidney Walton.

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