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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

SENATE RESOLUTION

HONORING SENATOR MARC A. COTE FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF THE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Goodwin, Algieri, and Picard

Date Introduced: June 22, 2018

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, To the immense good fortune of the people of Woonsocket and North
2 Smithfield, Marc Cote chose a life path that incorporated both his aspirations and his extensive
3 aptitude for public service; and

4 WHEREAS, Marc Cote graduated from Mount St. Charles Academy and earned his
5 Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Rhode Island and his Master's degree from
6 Babson College; and

7 WHEREAS, Senator Cote was first elected to the Rhode Island Senate representing what
8 is now District 24, on November 8th of 1994, and having earned the trust of his constituency, was
9 re-elected eleven times; and

10 WHEREAS, During his twenty-four year tenure in the Senate, the Honorable Marc Cote
11 has served in numerous leadership capacities, most currently as Vice Chairman of the Senate
12 Committee on Commerce and as a member of the Senate Committee on Special Legislation &
13 Veterans' Affairs; and

14 WHEREAS, Senator Cote has been a strong pro-business voice in the Senate,
15 championing legislation to reduce the tax burden on businesses in Woonsocket by allowing
16 tangible property taxes to be prorated on a monthly rather than a full year basis, and was named a
17 "Friend of Small Business" by the Rhode Island chapter of the National Federation of
18 Independent Business. He has also been a strong supporter of government reform, for which he
19 received Operation Clean Government's Golden Broom Award. In addition, he successfully

1 advocated for the adoption of an online bill tracking system that enabled the public to more easily
2 access legislative information as well as many additional issues and bills throughout his tenure;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, In addition to his state service, Senator Cote is the husband of his biggest
5 supporter, Suzanne, and together they are the parents of Justin and Monique. For the past thirty-
6 nine years he has been a successful real estate broker, most currently as a commercial real estate
7 broker associate for Boucher Real Estate; and

8 WHEREAS, Senator Cote carries himself with quiet dignity and class, a true gentleman
9 to his core. He has represented his constituents with the highest integrity, and his dutiful service is
10 a matter of pride for this Chamber and for our State; and

11 WHEREAS, Senator Cote's leadership and tireless devotion to the citizens of the Ocean
12 State have earned him our unqualified admiration and respect, and he will most assuredly be
13 missed; now, therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
15 hereby joins the family and many friends of Senator Marc Cote in recognizing and celebrating his
16 inspirational career of service to the people of the State of Rhode Island. We, moreover, wish him
17 continued success, happiness and fulfillment in all his future endeavors; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
19 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Marc A. Cote.

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