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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

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

**RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING THE WINE STORE ON BEING NAMED THE
2018 RETAILER OF THE YEAR BY BEVERAGE DYNAMICS**

Introduced By: Representatives Azzinaro, Hull, Shekarchi, Kennedy, and Filippi

Date Introduced: January 15, 2019

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Featuring a vast and enviable array of wine selections, The Wine Store has,
2 for the second year in a row, been named the Retailer of the Year by Beverage Dynamics, a
3 national trade publication; and

4 WHEREAS, The Wine Store first opened its doors in 1985. It is owned and operated by
5 Frank and Donna Celio and offers one of the largest selections of wine, beer, and liquor in the
6 state; and

7 WHEREAS, In addition, The Wine Store offers regular in store wine tastings and special
8 events in its comfy loft area; and

9 WHEREAS, Investing in the community, The Wine Store has partnered with many local
10 businesses and raised funds for numerous local altruistic organizations including, The Westerly
11 Chamber of Commerce, The Literacy Volunteers, The Jonnycake Center, and Stand Up for
12 Animals; and

13 WHEREAS, Like good wine, The Wine Store has continued to grow and ripen as the
14 years go by and time advances; now, therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
16 Providence Plantations hereby recognizes and congratulates The Wine Store on being named the
17 2018 Retailer of the Year by Beverage Dynamics. We moreover raise our glasses and make a
18 toast wishing them many years of continued success; and be it further

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

- 1 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Frank and Donna Celio.

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