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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019**

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

**PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 4-8, 2019, TO BE "NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Vella-Wilkinson, Almeida, Solomon, Williams, and Casimiro

Date Introduced: January 31, 2019

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, School Counselors across the United States, in both public and private  
2 schools, work tirelessly to help students reach their full potential; and

3           WHEREAS, In consultation with parents and teachers, School Counselors work with  
4 students and assist them as they explore their strengths and weaknesses, their talents, ideas,  
5 values and interests, and as they chart a path towards a successful and prosperous future; and

6           WHEREAS, School Counselors also identify and seek out school and community  
7 resources that will assist students in their endeavor to discover who they are and who they desire  
8 to become as adults; and

9           WHEREAS, A 2013 study by the College Board calculated that adding just one  
10 counselor to a high school staff produces a ten percent increase in the school's college enrollment  
11 numbers. A report by the National Association for College Admission Counseling determined  
12 that meeting one-on-one with a counselor to discuss financial aid for college tripled a student's  
13 chances of attending college, and made it significantly more likely that they would actually apply  
14 for financial aid; now, therefore be it

15           RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
16 Providence Plantations hereby proclaims the week of February 4-8, 2019, to be "National School  
17 Counseling Week" in the State of Rhode Island; 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 Mr. Cory Notestine, Chair, American School

1 Counselor Association.

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