

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF PATRICIA ANN MILLAR

Introduced By: Representatives Price, Kennedy, Shekarchi, Quattrocchi, and Mattiello

Date Introduced: April 30, 2019

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Patricia Ann Millar of Richmond passed away on April 14, 2019. She was
2 the loving wife of Richard Ira Millar for sixty years, and a devoted daughter of the late Earl and
3 Eleanor Creveling Smith; and

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Millar married her husband, Richard, as a young adult and devoted
5 much of her time creating a warm, caring and nurturing home for her husband and four children.
6 During that time, she also attended the University of Rhode Island and earned an undergraduate
7 degree in home economics. She later went on to attain a Master's degree; and

8 WHEREAS, When her children were grown, Mrs. Millar started her "second career" as a
9 Cooperative Extension home economist. Initially, she provided training and guidance in food and
10 nutrition, home health, and clothing care. When she retired in 1994, she was teaching women
11 how to start and run their own businesses, and publishing research articles on how to develop the
12 right effective cooperative extension programs for a changing demographic; and

13 WHEREAS, Throughout her life, Mrs. Millar devoted much of her free time in service to
14 her community. She provided numerous hours in support of the Richmond Historical Society, the
15 Richmond Grange, St. Elizabeth's Episcopal Church Women, the Arbutus Garden Club, and the
16 Clark Memorial Library. She also enjoyed many hobbies including sewing, rug hooking, quilting,
17 cooking, gardening and cross-stitching Christmas stockings for her grandchildren, and loved
18 travelling with her husband. Together, they had explored the globe and visited every continent
19 except Antarctica; and

20 WHEREAS, In addition to her husband, Mrs. Millar leaves behind her children, Dana

1 Millar and his wife, Gwynne, Narda Butler and her husband, Jay, Leah Arsenault and her
2 husband, Joe, and Lorna Persson and her husband, Steven. She is also survived by her
3 grandchildren, Jessica and her husband, Daniel, Zan, Ali, Becky, Vanya, Courtney, Chelsea,
4 Kayleigh, Caleb, Pelle, Karly and her spouse, Ryan, Solveig and Cameron, and her great-
5 grandchildren Reuben, Benji, Evie, and Felix; and

6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Millar was a loving wife, mother, daughter, grandmother, and friend
7 too many. She was also a distinguished professional who helped many women successfully make
8 the transition from home to workplace. Her passing is a grievous loss but she will live on in the
9 hearts of all who knew and loved her; now, therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
11 Providence Plantations hereby expresses its condolences on the passing of Patricia Ann Millar;
12 and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
14 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Richard Ira Millar and Family.

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