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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2019

#### HOUSE RESOLUTION

# CONGRATULATING EMMA DEWITT COTTER ON ATTAINING HER PH.D. FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Introduced By: Representatives Handy, Mattiello, Shekarchi, Newberry, and Serpa Date Introduced: May 23, 2019

Referred To: House read and passed

WHEREAS, It is fitting that this House recognizes those young people who, through
their talents and unflagging commitment to excellence, have exalted themselves in both academia
and in their communities; and
WHEREAS, Emma Dewitt Cotter, daughter of our colleague, Beth Cotter, has already
distinguished herself with a profundity of honors and accomplishments. She graduated from
LaSalle Academy in 2010, and earned her Bachelor's degree from Case Western Reserve
University. She also served this House as a page while attending High School; and
WHEREAS, At the 2019 Commencement Ceremonies, Ms. Cotter will be receiving a
Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Washington, one
of the major mechanical engineering graduate programs in the United States; and
WHEREAS, Walt Disney once said, "All our dreams can come trueif we have the
courage to pursue them." The dreams and aspirations of Emma Dewitt Cotter are flourishing and
we are certain her future will contain positive contributions to her community and our state; now,
therefore be it,
RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Emma Dewitt Cotter on being awarded her Ph.D. in
Mechanical Engineering. We moreover wish her fulfillment and continued success, and all the

- 18 very best that life has to offer; and be it further
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RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to

1 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Emma Dewitt Cotter.

