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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JANE KEMPF LANGMUIR

Introduced By: Representatives Ajello, Shekarchi, Walsh, Noret, and Fogarty

Date Introduced: January 30, 2020

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, It is with sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Jane Kempf  
2 Langmuir, beloved wife of the late Paul Langmuir, cherished mother of Karl and his wife,  
3 Corryn, and Christian, and proud grandmother of Hannah, Grace, and Meredith Langmuir, and  
4 Noah, Zachary and Marlee Foster; and

5           WHEREAS, Mrs. Langmuir grew up in South Pasadena, California, with her sisters, Julie  
6 Skinner and Gretchen Milligan. During her teens, the family moved to Short Hills, New Jersey.  
7 She attended the Rhode Island School of Design, where she studied interior architecture; and

8           WHEREAS, During her college years, Mrs. Langmuir met the love of her life and future  
9 husband, Paul. Together they raised their family and later enjoyed summering in Martha's  
10 Vineyard and traveling together, particularly to Scotland; and

11           WHEREAS, In addition to making a warm and welcoming home for her family and  
12 friends, Mrs. Langmuir was employed in a number of creative and artistic venues. She began at  
13 the architectural firm Saarinen, Swansen and Associates in Hamden, Connecticut, and  
14 subsequently resigned in order to open her own independent studio. Throughout the 70's and  
15 80's, the Jane K. Langmuir Inc. designed numerous homes with a special focus and interest in  
16 kitchen design; and

17           WHEREAS, In the late 80's, Mrs. Langmuir took a position teaching at the Rhode Island  
18 School of Design, where she ultimately became the head of the Interior Architecture Department,  
19 and collaborated on a five-year, research-based project based on a "Universal Kitchen" concept  
20 and designs that were featured in The New York Times and later debuted at a 1998 exhibition at

1 the Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum in New York City, and also featured on The  
2 Oprah Winfrey Show; and

3 WHEREAS, Mrs. Langmuir was also active with her church and in the community,  
4 serving for two terms as senior warden at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, and on the boards at The  
5 Providence Athenaeum, the Providence Center and Swan Point Cemetery; and

6 WHEREAS, Jane Langmuir was lovingly described by her friends as a "bright-eyed artist  
7 with an easy laugh" who was "forthright and full of grace, emanating genuine warmth and quiet  
8 strength" and she will forever be remembered by those who shared her beautiful life; now,  
9 therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
11 Providence Plantations hereby extends deepest condolences on the passing of Jane Kempf  
12 Langmuir; 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 Karl Langmuir and Family.

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