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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING PROFOUND SYMPATHY ON THE PASSING OF CLAIRE A. BIRKMAIER

Introduced By: Senators Goodwin, and de la Cruz

Date Introduced: January 22, 2020

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of Claire
2 A. Birkmaier, the beloved wife of forty-three years to George Birkmaier, and a longtime resident
3 of the Town of North Scituate; and

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Birkmaier was born in the City of Providence, and was the devoted
5 daughter of the late Frank, Jr., and Eugenia DiPaolo, and the sister of Evelyn Doherty, and the
6 late Richard DiPaolo and Thomas DiPaolo. She was also the aunt to many nieces and nephews;
7 and

8 WHEREAS, A renowned beauty, Mrs. Birkmaier had been a former Miss Rhode Island.
9 For thirty-two years, she had been employed as an administrative aid for Senator Claiborne Pell,
10 and as a secretary for Senator Paul Fogarty for fifteen years; and

11 WHEREAS, In addition to her family and work, Mrs. Birkmaier had enjoyed and had an
12 overwhelming love for horses, dogs and cats, and spending quality time on her boat;
13 and

14 WHEREAS, There is no doubt that Claire Birkmaier, a gracious and lovely woman, left
15 an indelible mark on the lives of those she knew and loved, and she will be dearly missed; now,
16 therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
18 hereby expresses its deepest sympathies on the passing of Claire A. Birkmaier; and be it further

- 1 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 2 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to George Birkmaier.

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