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IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING LISA GARCIA ON BEING SELECTED AS THE 2022 "RHODE ISLAND TEACHER OF THE YEAR"

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Craven, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Casimiro, Phillips, Kennedy, Solomon, Shallcross Smith, Serpa, and Ajello

Date Introduced: June 22, 2021

senior students and keeping morale high"; and

Referred To: House read and passed

WHEREAS, "The future," in the wise words of Eleanor Roosevelt, "belongs to those who 1 2 believe in the beauty of their dreams"; and 3 WHEREAS, For nearly three decades, Lisa Garcia, a multi-grade level math teacher at 4 North Kingstown High School, has inspired her students to envision the possibilities, to have confidence in themselves and their abilities, and to believe in a future full of promise; and 5 6 WHEREAS, For her dedication to young people and education, Ms. Garcia has been 7 named the 2022 "Rhode Island Teacher of the Year" by the Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE). This recognition is a momentous tribute to an exceptional individual who has 8 9 had a significant and profound impact on the lives of her students; and 10 WHEREAS, Combining a genuine love of teaching with boundless enthusiasm, Ms. 11 Garcia has led young people through the intricacies and nuances of not only algebra, 12 trigonometry, and calculus, but also growing up. She guides her students to reach their full 13 potential and become effective and contributing members of the community, thereby facilitating their lifelong success; and 14 15 WHEREAS, Over the course of the COVID-19 pandemic, Ms. Garcia worked tirelessly to provide her students with the support they needed both academically and emotionally, helping 16 them to continue learning and growing throughout the very difficult school year. In particular, she 17

"spearheaded the NKHS Flocked Fundraiser, a pandemic-safe way of celebrating the school's

1	WHEREAS, As the 2022 Rhode Island Teacher of the Year, Ms. Garcia will work with
2	RIDE to support education on a statewide level with an extra emphasis on educator recognition
3	initiatives, and is eligible to represent the State as the National Teacher of the Year; now,
4	therefore be it
5	RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
6	thanks and congratulates Lisa Garcia on being named the 2022 "Rhode Island Teacher of the
7	Year." We moreover wish her the very best of health and happiness in all her future endeavors;
8	and be it further
9	RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
10	transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Lisa Garcia.

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