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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF LAURENT EDGAR
GENDRON

Introduced By: Senators Murray, and Picard

Date Introduced: May 17, 2021

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, It is with utmost sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of
2 Laurent Edgar Gendron, the devoted husband of Janet Gendron for seventy-one years, the
3 beloved father of Barbara Ducharme, John Gendron, "Dee" Dolores Ducharme, Patricia Girard,
4 Kevin Gendron, Daniel Gendron, and Maureen Gendron, and the father-in-law of Robert
5 Ducharme, Linda Gendron, Steven Faiola, Angela Gendron, Ann Marie Gendron, and the late
6 Ronald Ducharme and Daniel Girard; and

7 WHEREAS, Born in Blackstone, Massachusetts, Mr. Gendron was the son of the late
8 Eugene and Blanche Gendron, and the brother of Melvyn Gendron, and the late Eugene, Leonard,
9 William, Paul, Norman, Bernard, Elaine Martin Henault, and Loraine Cote. He served our
10 country with honor in the United States Army in Europe during WWII as a Non-Commissioned
11 Officer in the 120th Regiment, 30th Infantry Division; and

12 WHEREAS, In addition to his wife and children, Mr. Gendron was the very proud
13 grandfather of eight grandchildren, Timothy Girard, Pamela Dunn, Bethany Gale, Katie Miller,
14 Stephanie Fleming, Andrew Gendron, Nathan Gendron, and Victoria Gendron, six great-
15 grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews, and extended family members; and

16 WHEREAS, For most of his lifetime, Mr. Gendron had made his home in the City of
17 Woonsocket. He was the Mailroom Supervisor at Eastland Bank until retiring in 1991, and had
18 previously been employed as a custodian at Sacred Heart Parish, in addition to holding positions
19 at several local mills; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Gendron was devoted to his faith and was a parishioner and active
2 member of Sacred Heart Church for many years, serving as a Eucharistic Minister and
3 Confirmation teacher. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus; and

4 WHEREAS, A generous and devoted family man, and a gifted Mr. Fix-it, Laurent
5 Gendron never failed to lend a hand to anyone in need and had the innate ability to repair just
6 about anything from plumbing to cars, to electrical issues around the house. He enjoyed casual
7 barbeques, going out to dinner at restaurants, vacations, taking photos of "everyone and
8 everything" especially for special occasions, and just helping out family and friends with various
9 projects; and

10 WHEREAS, The most fitting tribute to Laurent Gendron is a celebration of his amazing
11 life. He was truly blessed with the love of a large and devoted family and he will be forever
12 remembered; now, therefore be it

13 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby extends deepest
14 condolences to the family and friends of Laurent Edgar Gendron; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
16 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Janet Gendron and Family.

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