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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE PROVIDENCE WOMEN'S RUGBY DIVISION II TEAM ON  
WINNING THE USA RUGBY CLUB DIVISION II ATLANTIC SUPER REGIONAL AND  
ADVANCING TO THE USA RUGBY CLUB NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Introduced By: Senator Tiara T. Mack

Date Introduced: May 12, 2022

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, Since their humble beginnings in 2004, the Providence Women's Rugby  
2 Team has made a significant mark within the sport in the Greater New England region and has  
3 proven to be a very competitive club in both local and national competitions; and

4           WHEREAS, The Providence Women's Rugby Club won three straight New England  
5 Football Rugby Union (NERFU) Cup Division II Titles in a row from 2007 to 2009, and placed  
6 second in the 2008 and 2009 Northeast Rugby Union (NRU) competitions; and

7           WHEREAS, In the 2022 USA Club Rugby Atlantic Super Regional, held in East Aurora,  
8 New York, from April 30 to May 1, the Providence Women's Rugby Team played with  
9 inspiration, pride and tenacity to emerge victorious and advance to the National Championships  
10 which will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, on May 21st and May 22nd of 2022; and

11           WHEREAS, In the first game of the Super Regional, the Providence women emerged  
12 victorious in a high-scoring game over Phoenixville White Horse with a score of 31 to 20. In the  
13 Super Regional Finals game against Severn River, which was played in the rain on a muddy  
14 pitch, both teams exhibited enormous amounts of grit and toughness under difficult conditions,  
15 before Providence struck first and scored on a kick by Team Captain Ashley Hanson to take a 3-0  
16 lead. Severn River came back and dominated for a long stretch, taking a 5-3 lead into the last  
17 twenty minutes of the match, when Providence exhibited sterling teamwork and got the ball into  
18 the hands Morgan Brokaw who scored to give Providence the lead for good as they played  
19 ferocious defense and held off numerous Severn River attacks to clinch the game and advance to

1 the National Finals; now, therefore be it

2           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby congratulates the  
3 Providence Women’s Rugby Team on winning the 2022 USA Rugby Club Division II Atlantic  
4 Super Regional, and wishing them continued success in Atlanta on May 21st and May 22nd, at  
5 the USA Rugby Club Division II National Championship; and be it further

6           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
7 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Jay Giroux, Providence Rugby Football Club  
8 Executive Board President, and Vice-President Susan Ely.

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