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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING STEVEN LUKOWICZ ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER THIRTY-SEVEN YEARS OF EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE WITH COVENTRY'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Introduced By: Representatives Noret, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Casimiro, Chippendale, Nardone, Roberts, Finkelman, Fellela, and O'Brien

Date Introduced: June 13, 2023

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, To the very good fortune of many a Coventry student, Steven Lukowicz  
2 began his compassionate and dedicated career in the field of education as a teacher in Coventry's  
3 public schools in 1986; and

4 WHEREAS, Holding a myriad of positions during his tenure as an educator, Mr.  
5 Lukowicz taught life science at Coventry Middle School for seven years until transferring to  
6 Coventry High School in 1994, where he has remained for more than three decades; and

7 WHEREAS, During his tenure at the High School, Mr. Lukowicz formed strong bonds  
8 with both students and staff. In addition to his teaching duties, he coached football and mentored  
9 more than twenty-five student teachers and served as an informal mentor to dozens of science,  
10 mathematics, and business colleagues by sharing his lesson plans and teaching strategies; and

11 WHEREAS, During the school's decennial accreditation process from the New England  
12 Association of Schools and Colleges, Mr. Lukowicz served as co-chairperson, and thanks to his  
13 diligent and punctilious efforts, the school's accreditation was renewed for ten years and earned  
14 forty-one commendations; and

15 WHEREAS, In 2017, having earned the respect of his peers, Mr. Lukowicz was named  
16 Chair of the Science Department. As Chair, he is credited with increasing the school's NGSA  
17 science test scores, initiating more pathway programs for students, and spearheading efforts to  
18 streamline the science, business, and technology curriculums; and

19 WHEREAS, Extraordinary people never retire, they just begin a new chapter of their

1 lives. Such is the case with Steven Lukowicz who will be enjoying some much-deserved time at  
2 Bonnet Shores Beach in the summer, becoming a “snowbird” during Rhode Island’s long winter  
3 months, and perhaps tackling a few items on his wife’s honey-do list; and

4 WHEREAS, Steven Lukowicz, by virtue of his numerous and selfless accomplishments,  
5 serves as a model for all our educational leaders; now, therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby  
7 honors and commends Steven Lukowicz on his retirement after thirty-seven years of devoted  
8 service to decades of young people and the Coventry School Department. We thank him for all  
9 his efforts and wish him good health, fulfillment and much success in all his future endeavors;  
10 and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
12 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Steven Lukowicz.

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