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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

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SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE  
LINCOLN CARTER ALMOND

Introduced By: Senators de la Cruz, Paolino, Ruggerio, Rogers, Ciccone, Sosnowski,  
DeLuca, E Morgan, Goodwin, and DiPalma

Date Introduced: January 17, 2023

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of the  
2 Honorable Lincoln Almond, the 72nd Governor of the State of Rhode Island. Mr. Almond was  
3 the beloved husband of Marilyn Almond for 64 years; and

4           WHEREAS, Lincoln Almond was born in Pawtucket and raised in Central Falls, the son  
5 of Thomas and Elsie Almond. He graduated from Central Falls High School, the University of  
6 Rhode Island and the Boston University School of Law, and served our nation with distinction as  
7 a member of the United States Naval Reserve Submarine Service; and

8           WHEREAS, Governor Almond was a lawyer by profession, but became best known for  
9 his long career of honest public service and his deep integrity. He began his exemplary public  
10 service career when he served as the Lincoln Town Administrator from 1963 to 1969, where he  
11 fought vigorously to preserve public space and strategically balanced the needs of residents with  
12 industrial development; and

13           WHEREAS, In 1969, the Honorable Lincoln Almond was appointed to serve as the  
14 United States Attorney for Rhode Island, a position he held from 1969 to 1978, and 1981 to 1993,  
15 becoming one of the longest tenured United States Attorney in American history. As Rhode  
16 Island's top prosecutor, he tirelessly fought against public corruption, combatted organized crime,  
17 and was a valued and trusted advisor to a number of United States Attorneys General; and

18           WHEREAS, In 1994, the Honorable Lincoln Almond was elected Governor of the State  
19 of Rhode Island and served with honor, integrity and distinction for eight years. His tenure was

1 marked by his middle ground approach to politics and policy, combining his fiscal conservatism  
2 with moderation on social and cultural issues. Under his watch, Rhode Island expanded its child  
3 healthcare benefits, and its economic development and job creation, as well as supporting much-  
4 needed improvements to his alma mater, the University of Rhode Island; and

5 WHEREAS, Governor Almond loved sports and was a loyal follower of the Rhody Rams  
6 basketball team, always a fixture for home games in section 231 at the Ryan Center. He also  
7 enjoyed watching Red Sox and New England Patriots games, and taking long walks with his wife  
8 Marilyn through the years on the beaches in Wellfleet. In addition, he enjoyed tending to his yard  
9 and lawn, and riding on his prized John Deere lawn tractor. Most of all, Governor Almond was a  
10 loving husband, father and grandfather; and

11 WHEREAS, In addition to his wife, Marilyn, Governor Almond is survived by his  
12 children, Lincoln Douglas Almond and Amy Elizabeth Cubbage, and his grandchildren, Zachary,  
13 Chase, and Kevin Almond, and Emily and Sarah Cubbage. He also leaves behind his close friend  
14 and political advisor John Holmes, Jr., and was predeceased by his trusted and loyal mentor,  
15 Raymond LaFazia; now, therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby expresses its deepest  
17 condolences to the Almond Family on the passing of the Honorable Lincoln Carter Almond; and  
18 be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
20 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Mrs. Marilyn Almond, Lincoln Douglas  
21 Almond and Amy Elizabeth Cubbage.

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