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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING SINCERE CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF CEDRIC PAUL
HUNTLEY

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Diaz, Chippendale, J.
Lombardi, Batista, Felix, Edwards, Hull, and Slater

Date Introduced: January 21, 2025

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with utmost sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Cedric
2 Paul Huntley, the well-respected and admired former Executive Director of the Nonviolence
3 Institute in Providence, and the devoted husband of Anika Kimble-Huntley, father of stepchildren
4 Ryan, Sean, Alexis, Stephon, Dale, and daughter Tyler, and the step grandfather of Tyree, Dale,
5 Kean, and Avery; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Huntley was born in Lafayette, Louisiana, the son of the late Edward
7 Huntley and Theresa Huntley, and the stepson of Eric Jackson, and the brother of Phyllis Huntley
8 Evans, Angela Huntley, Regina Huntley, and Christopher Huntley and his wife, JoAnn. He is also
9 survived by many beloved nieces, nephews, extended family and friends; and

10 WHEREAS, As a young child, Mr. Huntley's family relocated to Providence. He
11 attended La Salle Academy, where he was a star basketball player. He continued his education,
12 earning his degree from Rhode Island Junior College, and subsequently, his Master's in Education
13 from Cambridge College; and

14 WHEREAS, At an early age, Mr. Huntley was instilled with the "values of integrity,
15 education, hard work, and community service that would guide his life's work" and while
16 attending the Roger Williams Day Care Summer Camp in 1976, he began what would become a
17 lifetime of "commitment to helping others achieve their dreams through quality education and
18 opportunities"; and

19 WHEREAS, Over the course of his illustrious career, Mr. Huntley worked in Rhode

1 Island Governor Sundlun's Office of Constituent Services, owned a small business, and served as
2 Site Director of the South Providence Recreation Center and Director of Student Support Services
3 at The MET School. In addition, and most notably, he was the Executive Director of the
4 Nonviolence Institute where he established relationships with community leaders, government
5 officials, and philanthropists in order to drive positive change throughout the State; and

6 WHEREAS, Dedicated to the community, Mr. Huntley also served on myriad boards and
7 commissions, including College Unbound, the MET School, Rhode Island Police Accreditation
8 Commission, Rhode Island Coalition Against Gun Violence, LaSalle Academy Board of
9 Trustees, Criminal Justice Policy Board, and the Providence Police Advisory Board; and

10 WHEREAS, Throughout his lifetime, Cedric Huntley "promoted education,
11 accountability, and hard work as the foundation of success, always leading with love, patience,
12 and humility" and there is no doubt that he left Rhode Island a far better place because of his life's
13 endeavors; now, therefore be it

14 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
15 extends deepest condolences on the passing of Cedric Paul Huntley; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
17 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Anika Kimble-Huntley and Family, and
18 Theresa Jackson and Family.

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