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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

JOINT RESOLUTION

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$500,000 TO NORA'S HAVEN

Introduced By: Representative Robert E. Craven

Date Introduced: February 12, 2025

Referred To: House Finance

1 WHEREAS, Nora's Haven provides vital services to survivors of abuse and violence in
2 Rhode Island by providing essential resources to assist in navigating support systems; and

3 WHEREAS, Survivors often struggle with economic barriers, including limited job
4 opportunities, and inadequate financial assistance; and

5 WHEREAS, In addition, Nora's Haven prioritizes outreach to those facing systematic
6 challenges including people of color, individuals with disabilities, limited English proficiency,
7 older adults, the LGBTQ+ communities, residents of low-income neighborhoods, and unhoused
8 individuals; and

9 WHEREAS, In order to meet the needs of those fleeing abusive situations as well as
10 myriad additional challenges, \$500,000 is essential and would cover the following:

- 11 • Emergency Assistance including housing, transportation, and legal services;
- 12 • Basic needs including food, medicine, clothing, etc.;
- 13 • Other client support including training, therapy, and class supplies; and
- 14 • Administrative salaries, office rental, etc.; now, therefore be it

15 RESOLVED, That there is hereby appropriated, out of money in the treasury not
16 otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year 2025-2026, the sum of five hundred thousand dollars
17 (\$500,000) to fund the vital services provided by Nora's Haven; and the state controller is hereby
18 authorized and directed to draw their orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of said

- 1 sum, or so much thereof as may be from time to time required, upon receipt of properly
- 2 authenticated vouchers.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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- 2 vital services provided by Nora's Haven.

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