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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF FRANK J. ALMONTE

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Chippendale, Biah, Tanzi,  
Ajello, Fogarty, Solomon, Shallcross Smith, and Fellela

Date Introduced: March 12, 2026

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Frank J.  
2   Almonte, from Cranston who was the beloved husband of Jaqueline A. Almonte, for thirty-seven  
3   wonderful years, and the devoted father of Frank J. Almonte II, and his partner, Loriann and our  
4   friend and colleague, Nicholas J. Almonte and his wife, Samantha; and

5           WHEREAS, Frank J. Almonte was a dedicated and talented self-employed contractor and  
6   the proud owner of Almonte Designs, where his perfectionist spirit, creative vision, and  
7   extraordinary craftsmanship in wood-working distinguished him throughout a remarkable career;  
8   and

9           WHEREAS, Through his ingenuity and passion for unique design, Frank pushed the  
10   boundaries of his craft, earning the admiration and respect of clients and all who had the privilege  
11   of witnessing his artistry; and

12          WHEREAS, Above all else, Frank's greatest pride and devotion were reserved for his  
13   family. His love was exemplified in the beautiful home he single-handedly built, creating a  
14   foundation not only of wood and stone, but of warmth, security, and cherished memories. Frank  
15   and Jacqueline together nurtured this happy home filled with outpouring love and unwavering  
16   support for their sons; and

17          WHEREAS, Frank is also survived by his cherished mother, Ruth Almonte; his sisters,  
18   Sandra Langlois, and Karen Bellows and her husband, Gary; his brother, James Almonte and his  
19   wife, Christina; as well as many nieces and nephews who will all forever treasure his guidance,  
20   humor, and generous heart. Frank was predeceased by his father, Ralph Almonte, whose memory

1 and influence remained a guiding presence throughout his life; and

2 WHEREAS, Known for his boundless energy and adventurous spirit, Frank embraced  
3 life fully—whether racing down ski slopes, competing on the tennis courts, or inventing his own  
4 spirited games—ensuring there was never a dull moment in his presence; and

5 WHEREAS, Frank J. Almonte will be remembered as the life of every gathering, a man  
6 of extraordinary generosity who would give the shirt off his back, and a welcoming soul who  
7 embraced others as family and filled their lives with laughter and joy. He was one of a kind and  
8 will be sorely missed by all of those who had the pleasure of knowing him; now, therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby  
10 expresses its deepest condolences to the family and friends of Frank J. Almonte during this time  
11 of profound loss; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
13 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Jacqueline A. Almonte, Frank J. Almonte II and  
14 Family and Nicholas J. Almonte and Family.

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