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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING AND HONORING THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF RHODE ISLAND WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING SUCCESS DURING THE 2025-2026 SEASON

Introduced By: Representatives Felix, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Chippendale, Hopkins, Noret, Diaz, Sanchez, Bennett, and Voas

Date Introduced: April 16, 2026

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, The 2025-2026 Community College of Rhode Island Women's Basketball  
2 Team continued its remarkable run of outstanding success on the basketball court, compiling an  
3 astounding 22-3 overall record, including a perfect 14-0 record in regional play, and attaining its  
4 fifth consecutive NJCAA Region XXI Championship; and

5           WHEREAS, The Knights recent run of winning includes an incredible streak of more  
6 than 60 consecutive victories against regional opponents, as well as five consecutive appearances  
7 in the NJCAA Division III National Tournament; and

8           WHEREAS, Achieving such an exceptional level of success this past season would have  
9 been impossible unless every player gave their all and put team needs ahead of personal goals.  
10 The 2025-2026 Community College of Rhode Island Women's Basketball Team had these vital  
11 attributes in abundance, as they were led all season by the outstanding contributions of its  
12 student-athletes, including Layla Perry, Ella Johnson, Natalyah Williams, Kellylyn Kozlin, Emma  
13 Harding, Parisa Monteiro, Sydney Waitekus, Genesis McNeil, Meleeya Robbins, Qiana Sumner,  
14 Emily Moran, and Charlize Romero; and

15           WHEREAS, The Knights were also led all season by the outstanding coaching and  
16 leadership of Head Coach Doug Haynes. Under the guidance and direction of Coach Haynes, the  
17 Knights program has become a model of consistency and competitive excellence. Coach Haynes  
18 was recently named the NJCAA East District Coach of the Year for the fifth consecutive season,  
19 an unprecedented achievement; and

1           WHEREAS, The outstanding student-athletes of the 2025-2026 Community College of  
2 Rhode Island Women’s Basketball Team represent the very best of CCRI and our State, both on  
3 and off the court, as they demonstrated at all times incredible discipline, teamwork, and  
4 commitment to academic and personal growth; now, therefore be it

5           RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby  
6 heartily congratulates the Community College of Rhode Island Women’s Basketball Team for its  
7 outstanding success during the 2025-2026 Season; and be it further

8           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
9 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Community College of Rhode Island  
10 Women’s Basketball Team, Head Coach Doug Haynes.

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