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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2026

HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING REPRESENTATIVE JULIE A. CASIMIRO FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE
TO THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Representatives Blazejewski, Kazarian, Alzate, Chippendale, Corvese,
Fogarty, Donovan, Spears, Knight, and McGaw

Date Introduced: June 11, 2026

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Julie A. Casimiro was first elected to the Rhode Island
2 House of Representatives in November of 2016, to serve the residents of District 31 in North
3 Kingstown and Exeter with integrity, compassion, and distinction; and

4 WHEREAS, In recognition of her strong leadership and commitment to public service,
5 Representative Casimiro was appointed Deputy Majority Leader in January of 2019, and served
6 as First Vice Chair of the House Committee on Oversight, Chair of the House Oversight Children
7 and Families Subcommittee, and as a member of the House Education Committee, the House
8 Judiciary Committee, and the House Veterans' Affairs Committee; and

9 WHEREAS, Throughout her tenure in the General Assembly, Representative Casimiro
10 has been a tireless advocate for children, families, students, veterans, consumers, and vulnerable
11 Rhode Islanders, championing legislation to strengthen protections, improve public policy, and
12 enhance quality of life throughout the State; and

13 WHEREAS, During the 2025 legislative session, Representative Casimiro secured
14 passage of legislation requiring Rhode Island schools to establish policies governing student use
15 of personal electronic devices during the school day, while also sponsoring legislation protecting
16 Rhode Islanders from cryptocurrency ATM scams; and

17 WHEREAS, Representative Casimiro was selected to the National Conference of State
18 Legislatures' 2025 Youth Justice Fellows Program, joining a distinguished national network of
19 lawmakers committed to advancing effective youth justice policy and reform; and

1 WHEREAS, In 2024, Representative Casimiro introduced legislation supporting student
2 participation in Individualized Education Program, physical education classes, requiring
3 searchable healthcare facility price lists, and protecting workers by prohibiting contractors and
4 subcontractors from substituting cash payments for required health care benefits; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2024, Representative Casimiro was also recognized by Adoption Rhode
6 Island for her dedication to children in state care and by the Rhode Island Pharmacists
7 Association for her efforts to address shortages in primary care health services; and

8 WHEREAS, During the 2023 legislative session, Representative Casimiro introduced
9 legislation requiring gift card scam warnings in retail stores and requiring driver education
10 programs to include instruction on the dangers of driving under the influence of cannabis; and

11 WHEREAS, Representative Casimiro was selected to serve as Vice Chairwoman of the
12 National Conference of State Legislatures Standing Committee on Children, Families and Human
13 Services, and was honored by Tides Family Services with its “Humanitarian Award” in
14 recognition of her support for strengthening behavioral health services for children throughout
15 Rhode Island; and

16 WHEREAS, In 2022, Representative Casimiro introduced legislation closing loopholes
17 involving individuals in positions of authority engaging in sexual relations with minors, and
18 sponsored legislation requiring the Department of Children, Youth and Families to identify the
19 military status of parents involved in child abuse cases and notify appropriate military authorities,
20 including the Military Family Advocacy Program; and

21 WHEREAS, Representative Casimiro was recognized by the Rhode Island Coalition for
22 Children and Families as its 2022 Legislative Champion for her advocacy and commitment to
23 protecting children and supporting families across the State; and

24 WHEREAS, Prior to her legislative service, she built a successful career as a marketing
25 executive and fund development professional while contributing her time and expertise to
26 numerous nonprofit boards and community organizations; and

27 WHEREAS, A graduate of Cranston High School West and Providence College,
28 Representative Casimiro earned a bachelor’s degree in marketing and has utilized her education,
29 experience, and compassion to become a highly respected leader and public servant; and

30 WHEREAS, Representative Casimiro and her husband, Richard Casimiro, reside in
31 North Kingstown, and as she enters a well-earned retirement, she leaves behind a legacy of
32 compassion, integrity, and steadfast commitment that will be greatly missed in the House
33 Chambers; now, therefore be it

34 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby

1 honors Representative Julie A. Casimiro for her many years of distinguished service to the people
2 of the State of Rhode Island and expresses its sincere gratitude for her outstanding leadership and
3 commitment to public service; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Julie A. Casimiro.

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