

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025**

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**SENATE RESOLUTION**

**CONGRATULATING JOSEPH B. GOHO, SUPERINTENDENT OF THE NORTH PROVIDENCE PUBLIC SCHOOLS DEPARTMENT, FOR BEING NAMED THE "2025 RHODE ISLAND SUPERINTENDENT OF THE YEAR" BY THE RHODE ISLAND SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION**

Introduced By: Senators Ruggiero, Tikoian, Patalano, LaMountain, Felag, Dimitri, Bell, Lauria, and McKenney

Date Introduced: January 27, 2025

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1           WHEREAS, Joseph B. Goho was chosen by the Rhode Island Superintendents  
2 Association at its general membership meeting on August 13, 2024, as superintendent of the year  
3 by his colleagues in recognition of his work as superintendent of the North Providence School  
4 Department; and

5           WHEREAS, Joseph B. Goho earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English at Providence  
6 College, earned a MAT in English at Rhode Island College, and a Master of Education  
7 Administration Degree at Providence College. He began his distinguished professional career in  
8 public education when he accepted a position to serve as an English teacher at Roger Williams  
9 Middle School, and later at both Mount Pleasant and Classical High Schools; and

10           WHEREAS, Mr. Goho began his administrative career in education when he accepted a  
11 position to serve as the Assistant Principal at North Providence High School. He then proceeded  
12 to serve as the Principal of North Providence High School from 1999 to 2019, where he gained a  
13 reputation for being a tireless worker, an outstanding leader and administrator, and a caring and  
14 compassionate individual who strove daily to make a positive difference in the lives of the  
15 students, their families, and the teachers and staff at North Providence High School; and

16           WHEREAS, In recognition of his outstanding work, Joseph Goho was selected in 2019 to  
17 serve as the Superintendent of Public Schools in North Providence, a position he still holds.  
18 During his tenure as Superintendent, Mr. Goho has focused a large portion of his time and energy

1 on improving student achievement by upgrading school facilities. He has collaborated  
2 successfully with Town officials to attain the successful passage of much-needed school  
3 construction bonds amounting to \$200 million dollars; and

4         WHEREAS, Thanks in large part to Superintendent Goho's outstanding leadership, the  
5 North Providence School Department will soon have built four new elementary schools, a new  
6 central office administration building, a remodeled high school auditorium and library media  
7 center, upgraded middle school gymnasiums and cafeterias, and renovated athletic fields. Upon  
8 completion of these new construction projects, every public elementary school student in North  
9 Providence will be able to attend a brand-new and state-of-the-art school, while students in the  
10 middle school and high school level will learn in modernized facilities; and

11         WHEREAS, Under Superintendent Goho's guidance and direction, the North Providence  
12 Public School Department introduced new high-quality curricula programs for English Language  
13 Arts, Mathematics, and Science, to include new research-based "walk-through" protocols to  
14 ensure the new curriculum is being properly implemented and to enhance teaching and learning.  
15 Additional resources and staffing have been provided to support K-12 multilingual learners, and  
16 grants have been attained and are being used to create new elementary programs to support  
17 differently-abled students in order to allow more of them to learn in their neighborhood schools;  
18 and

19         WHEREAS, Superintendent Goho has also focused much of his efforts to improve  
20 Career and Technical Education in North Providence and thanks to his hard-work in this area,  
21 many new career and technical education (CTE) pathways have been developed at North  
22 Providence High School, and new CTE feeder system programs have been added at both North  
23 Providence middle schools; and

24         WHEREAS, In 2024, North Providence public schools had record-breaking participation  
25 and double digit passing score increases on Advanced Placement (AP) tests. All of these positive  
26 developments and results are a testament to the success Mr. Goho has had as an education leader  
27 and in his position as the Superintendent of Public Schools in North Providence; and

28         WHEREAS, The Rhode Island School Superintendents Association "Superintendent of  
29 the Year" Award annually "recognizes outstanding achievement in school district leadership,  
30 dedication to the education of all children, commitment to the community, and service to the  
31 Rhode Island School Superintendents Association". It is most fitting and deserving that Joseph B.  
32 Goho, Superintendent of the North Providence Public Schools Department, has been named the  
33 recipient of the "2025 Rhode Island Superintendent of the Year" Award; and

34         WHEREAS, Joseph Goho resides in Lincoln, with his wife Melissa, and his children. Mr.

1 Goho has been a member of the Lincoln Public Schools School Committee since 2016; now,  
2 therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby heartily congratulates  
4 Joseph B. Goho, Superintendent of the North Providence Public School Department, on being  
5 named the recipient of the "2025 Rhode Island Superintendent of the Year "Award; and be it  
6 further

7 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
8 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Joseph B. Goho.

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