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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

SENATE RESOLUTION

COMMEMORATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT
AFFAIRS COUNCIL (SGAC)

Introduced By: Senators Gallo, Ruggerio, Lawson, Bissailon, Tikoian, LaMountain,
Thompson, Patalano, Kallman, and Lauria
Date Introduced: March 19, 2025

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, The State Government Affairs Council (SGAC) was established fifty years
2 ago with the mission to advance and support the state government affairs profession by fostering
3 community and relationship building with peers and elected officials, building knowledge, and
4 promoting diverse perspectives in a nonpartisan environment; and

5 WHEREAS, SGAC's members, consisting of government affairs professionals, have
6 consistently worked to enhance understanding and communication between the public and private
7 sectors, ensuring the fair representation of diverse interests and advocating for the advancement
8 of policies that promote offering unparalleled educational opportunities; providing a forum for
9 members and policymakers to convene and collaborate; mentoring the next generation of state
10 government affairs professionals; promoting all aspects of diversity; and

11 WHEREAS, Through its collaboration with legislative bodies, administrative agencies,
12 and community stakeholders, SGAC has helped build a more responsive, transparent, and
13 accountable government at the state level; and

14 WHEREAS, The 50th anniversary of SGAC represents a milestone of achievement and
15 service in its ongoing commitment to excellence in government affairs; and

16 WHEREAS, SGAC has fostered a forward-thinking platform for addressing emerging
17 challenges in state governance; and

18 WHEREAS, SGAC has created a legacy of fostering leadership, training, and advocacy
19 that has shaped the professional development of thousands of individuals in the field of

1 government relations; now, therefore be it

2 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby recognizes and
3 commends the State Government Affairs Council for its 50 years of dedicated service and
4 significant contributions to enhancing the relationship between state and local governments,
5 businesses, and communities; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That this Senate hereby encourages continued support for SGAC's mission
7 and commends its members for their tireless work to advocate for sound policy decisions,
8 transparency, and good governance; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That this Senate hereby extends its congratulations to the State
10 Government Affairs Council and its members on reaching this remarkable milestone,
11 acknowledges their enduring influence on the state's government affairs landscape, and
12 recognizes their continued commitment to advancing public policy across the State; and be it
13 further

14 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
15 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution the State Government Affairs Council (SGAC).

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