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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2025

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JOYCE JACQUES

Introduced By: Senator Ryan W. Pearson

Date Introduced: May 05, 2025

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of Joyce
2 Jacques of Mendon, Massachusetts. Mrs. Jacques was the beloved wife of the late Louis H.
3 Jacques; and

4 WHEREAS, Joyce Jacques was born in Ogden, Utah, the daughter of the late Paul and
5 Jacquelyn Gallagher. She grew up in Norwood, Massachusetts and graduated from Norwood
6 High School in 1971; and

7 WHEREAS, Joyce Jacques was a devoted wife and mother who strove daily to provide a
8 warm, nurturing and loving home for her family. Later in life, her desire to serve the community
9 and care for people led her to attain a nursing degree, and then proceed to work as a registered
10 nurse at Vantage Health and Rehab of Milford. She had previously worked at the Medway
11 Country Manor for many years; and

12 WHEREAS, In her free time, she and her husband Louis enjoyed doting on their children
13 and grandchildren and spending quality time together on vacations in Falmouth, Massachusetts in
14 the Summer and Naples, Florida in the Winter; and

15 WHEREAS, Joyce Jacques is survived by her children, Jamie Fernandes, and her
16 husband, Rich, Lisa Balunas, Heather Clabbers, Danielle Mendall, Jonathan Jacques, and his wife
17 Andrea, and Sarah Hamilton, and her husband, Brent. Mrs. Jacques is also survived by her
18 grandchildren, Ava, Richie, Brielle, Ryan, Tyler, Katherine, Gage, Mason, Maddie and Jake.
19 Joyce Jacques also leaves behind her sister Patricia Cleary, and her husband, James, and was the
20 sister of the late Chris and Michael Gallagher; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby expresses its deepest
2 condolences to the Jacques Family on the passing of Joyce Jacques; and be it further
3 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
4 transmit a duly certified copies of this resolution to Jamie Fernandes, Lisa Balunas, Heather
5 Clabbers, Danielle Mendall, Jonathan Jacques, and Sarah Hamilton.

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