WHEREAS, It has been made known to the House that certain persons and organizations are deserving of commendation; and

Oluwadamilola Animashaun, University of Rhode Island; receiving The William Gould Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for your all-around outstanding achievement in the areas of leadership, faculty-student relationships, service, and academic performance;

Representative Williams

Kyle Delgado, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Rev. Arthur L. Hardge Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for your all-around outstanding commitment to service in the Black community outside of the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams

Temidayo Akinjisola, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Martin Luther King, Jr. Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for your outstanding leadership and numerous contributions to the University of Rhode Island Community;

Representative Williams

Patrick Correia, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Harvey Robert Turner Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for your outstanding and dedicated service to the Black community at the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams

Mirien Hall, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Sojourner Truth Award at the
URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for your scholarly persistence and outstanding dedication to succeed at the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams

Stephanie Howie, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Noreen Coachman Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for your outstanding achievement in academics and extracurricular activities while maintaining family and work responsibilities;

Representative Williams

Robbie Delgado, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Jackie Robinson Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for your outstanding athletic performance and demonstrating the best qualities of the student-athlete at the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams

Brianna Thomas, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Althea Gibson Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for your outstanding athletic performance and demonstrating the best qualities of the student-athlete at the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams

Cecelia Haffner Jatta, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Estes Benson Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for achieving the highest overall grade point average among black female students at the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams

Koye Idowu, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Estes Benson Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for achieving the highest overall grade point average among black male students at the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams

Jasmine Miller, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Saint Elmo Brady Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for outstanding achievements in the sciences among black students at the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams

Paris McGee, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Saint Claire Drake Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for outstanding contributions in scholarly research at the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams

Heebe-Tee-Tse-Lee, University of Rhode Island; receiving The David Edmonds Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for demonstrating outstanding artistic and creative expression in the arts at the University of Rhode Island;
Representative Williams
Adrian Flowers, University of Rhode Island; receiving The Donald Cunnigen Award at the URI Black Scholar Awards on April 11, 2016 for your commitment to excellence in Graduate Studies at the University of Rhode Island;

Representative Williams
Douglas E. Green; the distinguished honor of receiving the 2016 Appreciation Award;

Representative Giarrusso
Beth McLoughlin; the distinguished honor of receiving “The Key is Me!” Award for April, 2016;

Representatives Tanzi, Fogarty, and McEntee
Patricia Gentile; the distinguished honor of receiving the "I Make a Difference" Award for April, 2016;

Representatives Tanzi, Fogarty, and McEntee
Sharron Zapor, Vietnam Veterans of America, James Michael Ray Memorial Chapter 818; being named the United Veterans Council of Woonsocket "Veteran of the Year";

Speaker Mattiello and Representative Malik
Paul and Marcia McBurney, P.T. Floors, Walls and More; the distinguished honor of being named the United Veterans Council of Woonsocket "Patriot of the Year";

Speaker Mattiello and Representative Malik
Tim Tessier, P.T. Floors, Walls and More; the distinguished honor of being named the United Veterans Council of Woonsocket "Patriot of the Year";

Speaker Mattiello and Representative Malik
Herbert White; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 92nd Birthday on April 20, 2016;

Representative Lancia
Eunice A. Stoskopf; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday on April 4, 2016;

Representative Lancia
Eleonora G. Halmi; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday on April 6, 2016;

Representative Lancia
Domenic J. Mainelli; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday on April 7, 2016;

Representative Lancia
Clara F. Cardi; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday on April 10, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Pauline Aucoin; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday on April 18, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Charlotte Feldman; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday on April 27, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Anthony D. Russo; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday on April 29, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Barbara L. Dean; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 2, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Bertha E. Masse; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 2, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Rhoda C. Michael; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 11, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Marion R. Chorney; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 13, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Maria Altugracia Delacruz; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 13, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Robert M. Goldblatt; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 19, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Everett C. Sammartino; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 19, 2016;
Representative Lancia
Arthur Salzillo; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 27,
Representative Lancia

Ruth McElhiney; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 29, 2016;

Representative Lancia

Albert R. Marsella; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 10, 2016;

Representative Lancia

Joan R. Evans; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 14, 2016;

Representative Lancia

Mary P. Fox; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 16, 2016;

Representative Lancia

Lucine Joharjian; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 20, 2016;

Representative Lancia

Marguerite T. Gambuto; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 29, 2016;

Representative Lancia

James C. McGrury; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday on April 7, 2016;

Representative Roberts

Rita T. Beaulieu; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 90th Birthday on April 22, 2016;

Representative Roberts

Roberta C. Chandler; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 9, 2016;

Representative Roberts

Marie Hennessey; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 10, 2016;

Representative Roberts

Elsie Newman; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 85th Birthday on April 30, 2016;
Representative Roberts
Gail D. Breene; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 4, 2016;
Representative Roberts
Girdharilal H. Aggarwal; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 10, 2016;
Representative Roberts
Marie C. Parrillo; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 19, 2016;
Representative Roberts
Jean R. Oложlin; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 25, 2016;
Representative Roberts
Anthony J. Cipolla; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 27, 2016;
Representative Roberts
Helen V. Vellucci; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 80th Birthday on April 28, 2016;
Representative Roberts
South Kingstown Little League; Opening Day Ceremony on April 23, 2016 at Tuckertown Baseball Field and celebrating the 65th Anniversary of the South Kingstown Little League and the proud baseball heritage in the town of South Kingstown;
Representatives Tanzi, Fogarty, and McEntee
Chanax, Frank Jolifer, Josephine Ni, Olivia Smith, Xavier Smith, Eliana Brito, Vanessa Dalomba, Bitenga Namusse, Icilda Gomes, Le'Asia Souza, Anya Lora, Katyushka Alvelo,
Shawnae Sanchez, William Dabo, Tiago Fonseca, Enilsa Lopes, Adelina Cruz, Daviana Pires,
Yarah Medina, Darwin Peguero, Arynna Johnson, Jane Khan, Natasha Beaudreau, Vianna Monteiro, Christopher Ramos, Chukwuebuka Oranwa, Fatou Ndao, Emani Correia, Aline Dacruz, Ashley Kenney, Samuel Slater Middle School; your visit to the Rhode Island State House
on April 6, 2016 and recognizing your outstanding commitment to community service in the state of Rhode Island;
Representative Tobon
Thomas Mulligan; the distinguished honor of being sworn in as Town Manager for the Town of North Kingstown, Rhode Island;
Representative Craven
Fire Chief Scott Kettelle; the distinguished honor of being sworn in as Fire Chief of the North Kingstown Fire Department;
Representative Craven
Georgia Fortunado, Superintendent, Lincoln Public School; the distinguished honor of being named by the Rhode Island School Superintendents’ Association as the 2016 Rhode Island Superintendent of the Year;
Representatives Ackerman, O’Grady and Costantino
Juan Carlos Pinzon, Ambassador of Colombia to the United States; the distinguished honor of your visit to the State of Rhode Island on April 6, 2016;
Representative Tobon
Mrs. Renee Rodrigues, Special Education Teacher, Samuel Slater Middle School; your visit to the Rhode Island State House on April 6, 2016, and recognizing your dedication to the students in the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island;
Representative Tobon
Mr. Andrew Maigret, English Teacher, Samuel Slater Middle School; your visit to the Rhode Island State House on April 6, 2016, and recognizing your dedication to the students in the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island;
Representative Tobon
Ms. Andrea Blair, Math Intervention Teacher, Samuel Slater Middle School; your visit to the Rhode Island State House on April 6, 2016, and recognizing your dedication to the students in the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island;
Representative Tobon

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Dr. Jaqueline Ash, Principal, Samuel Slater Middle School; your visit to the Rhode Island State House on April 6, 2016, and recognizing your dedication to the students in the City of Pawtucket, Rhode Island;

Representative Tobon

Marjorie Prior; the joyous and momentous occasion of your 95th Birthday on April 16, 2016;

Representative Ruggiero

Ron Fleming; Daffodillion's all-volunteer efforts each April in planting daffodil displays that greet residents as well as tourists who visit the City of Newport during the annual Newport Daffodil Days Festival. Thank you for your commitment to this project;

Representatives Carson and Abney

John Hirschboeck; Daffodillion's all-volunteer efforts each April in planting daffodil displays that greet residents as well as tourists who visit the City of Newport during the annual Newport Daffodil Days Festival. Thank you for your commitment to this project;

Representatives Carson and Abney

Jeffrey A. Cadieux, J & S Scrap Metal & Recycling; being honored for your quick response and identifying the suspects who had stolen 29 grave markers and 6 vases from The St. Joseph Cemetery;

Representative Serpa

Mike D'Amico; your retirement after 40 years of outstanding and dedicated service as a member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers' Local 99, Providence, Rhode Island;

Representative Lombardi

Junior Achievement Rhode Island; the Kick-Off Ceremony of Education Awareness Week at the Rhode Island State House and recognizing the statewide commitment and dedication to support educational excellence for all children in the State of Rhode Island;

Speaker Mattiello and Leader DeSimone

Teach for America Rhode Island; the Kick-Off Ceremony of Education Awareness Week at the Rhode Island State House and recognizing the statewide commitment and dedication to support educational excellence for all children in the State of Rhode Island;

Speaker Mattiello and Leader DeSimone

Chief Scott Kettelle, North Kingstown Fire Department; the distinction and honor of being appointed Fire Chief of the North Kingstown Fire Department;

Representative Costa
Ruth Barge Thumbtzen; the distinguished honor of receiving The Newport Daily News "2016 Community Service Award" for your dedicated and unselfish service in making Newport County a better place to live;

Representatives Abney, Ruggiero and Carson

Nicholas Ambrosia; Dylan Bracken; Paul Clement; Austin Connors; Matthew Coughlin; Ryan Maintain; Matthew Woods; Trey Booth; Anthony Stevens; Jadin Genao; Captain Brandon Lawton; Tyler Perry; Captain Ethan Schneider; Jarod Sickenger; Edward Casella; Tyrone Weeks; Zachary Johnson; Head Coach Mr. Michael Batalon; Athletic Director Mr. Nick DiFilippo; the outstanding athletic achievement of winning the Rhode Island Interscholastic League Boys' Basketball 2015-2016 Division III—South Championship;

Representative McNamara

Christopher Wright, Pomfret School; the outstanding academic achievement of being named to the Honor Roll for the 2015-2016 Winter Term at the Pomfret School;

Representative Giarrusso

Steven Babcock; in recognition of receiving the 2015-2016 New Member Award from the Hope Valley Ambulance Squad for outstanding service;

Representatives Kennedy and Price

Gregory Dube; in recognition of receiving the 2015-2016 Emergency Medical Technician of the Year Award from the Hope Valley Ambulance Squad for outstanding service to the community;

Representatives Kennedy and Price

Kathleen Rassler; in recognition of receiving the 2015-2016 Volunteer of the Year Award from the Hope Valley Ambulance Squad for outstanding service to the community;

Representatives Kennedy and Price

Eric Brune; in recognition of receiving the 2015-2016 E. Lloyd Kenney Award from the Hope Valley Ambulance Squad for outstanding service to the community;

Representatives Kennedy and Price

David Richardson; in recognition of receiving the 2015-2016 Presidents Award from the Hope Valley Ambulance Squad for outstanding service;

Representatives Kennedy and Price

Christopher Face; in recognition of receiving the 2015-2016 Heroes Award from the Hope Valley Ambulance Squad;

Representatives Kennedy and Price

Paul Decerbo; in recognition of receiving the 2015-2016 Heroes Award from the Hope Valley Ambulance Squad;
Valley Ambulance Squad;

Representatives Kennedy and Price

Max Miranda, Bishop Hendricken High School Varsity Swim Team; the outstanding athletic achievement of being named a National Interscholastic Swimming Coaches' Association 2016 All-American;

Speaker Mattiello

Max Miranda, Bishop Hendricken High School Varsity Swim Team; the outstanding athletic achievement of being named to the Rhode Island Interscholastic League 2016 All-State Swim Team;

Speaker Mattiello

Lucas Stencel, Bishop Hendricken High School Varsity Swim Team; the outstanding athletic achievement of being named to the Rhode Island Interscholastic League 2016 All-State Swim Team;

Speaker Mattiello

Dillane Wehbe, Bishop Hendricken High School Varsity Swim Team; the outstanding athletic achievement of being named to the Rhode Island Interscholastic League 2016 All-State Swim Team;

Speaker Mattiello

Alex Vessella, Bishop Hendricken High School Varsity Swim Team; the outstanding athletic achievement of being named to the Rhode Island Interscholastic League 2016 All-State Swim Team;

Speaker Mattiello

Reverend Matthew N. Kai; the joyous celebration of your 23rd Anniversary of outstanding and dedicated service to the Lord;

Representative Williams

Right Reverend Exarch Joseph S. Haggar, St. Basil the Great Melkite Catholic Church; the joyous and momentous celebration of your 50th Anniversary of Ordination into the Priesthood;

Representative McLaughlin

Sophie Fulgham, East Greenwich High School Girls' Tennis; the outstanding athletic achievement of being named to the Rhode Island Interscholastic League Girls' Tennis All-State First Team (doubles), All-Division and Division I Met-B First Team (doubles);

Representative Giarrusso

Brooke Lennell, East Greenwich High School Girls' Tennis; the outstanding athletic
achievement of being named to the Rhode Island Interscholastic League Girls' Tennis All-State
First Team (doubles), All-Division and Division I Met-B First Team (doubles);
Representative Giarrusso

Kalare Lo, East Greenwich High School Girls' Tennis; the outstanding athletic
achievement of being named to the Rhode Island Interscholastic League Girls' Tennis All-State
Second Team (doubles), All-Division and Division I Met-B First Team (doubles);
Representative Giarrusso

Izzie Iannotti, East Greenwich High School Girls' Tennis; the outstanding athletic
achievement of being named to the Rhode Island Interscholastic League Girls' Tennis All-State
Second Team (doubles), All-Division and Division I Met-B First Team (doubles);
Representative Giarrusso

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT
RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives hereby extends to the aforesaid persons
and organizations its very best wishes on this memorable occasion and expresses the hope for
continued good fortune; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is respectfully requested to
transmit a properly inscribed citation to each of the aforesaid.

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