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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

**CONGRATULATING CAPTAIN JOHN KONDRATOWICZ ON HIS RETIREMENT, ON
SEPTEMBER 1, 2016, FROM THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AFTER THIRTY-SIX
YEARS OF EXEMPLARY AND DEVOTED MILITARY SERVICE TO OUR NATION**

Introduced By: Representatives Tobon, Barros, Malik, Azzinaro, and Lancia

Date Introduced: June 16, 2016

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Captain John Kondratowicz, known by many as Captain "KZ", began his
2 distinguished military service to our country in 1980, when he enlisted in the military. He served
3 for a period of time in the United States Coast Guard and the United States Navy before he
4 graduated from Officer Candidate School in Yorktown, Virginia, in December of 1989; and

5 WHEREAS, Captain Kondratowicz served tours of duty with the Coast Guard Group
6 Eastern Shore at Chincoteague, Virginia, from 1989 to 1991, and with the Fifth Coast Guard
7 District in Portsmouth, Virginia, from 1991 to 1993. From 1993 to 1996, he served as the
8 Commanding Officer of Coast Guard Station Sandy Hook, New Jersey; and

9 WHEREAS, Captain Kondratowicz, thanks to his specialty in maritime security
10 operations and response, was assigned to Coast Guard Atlantic Area from 1996 to 2000, serving
11 as the Assistant Chief for the Port Security Section. From 2000 to 2003, he served as the
12 Operations Officer at Coast Guard Group Woods Hole; and

13 WHEREAS, From 2003 to 2007, Captain Kondratowicz commissioned and became the
14 first Commanding Officer of Maritime Safety and Security Team Boston. He guided and led 92
15 persons and helped direct maritime security responses to key national events including the United
16 Nations Assembly, the Presidential Inauguration and Super Bowl XXXIX; and

17 WHEREAS, From 2007 to 2008, Captain Kondratowicz served as the United States
18 Coast Guard's Liaison to the Navy Warfare Develop Command, where he coordinated the
19 development of significant joint service and international warfare doctrine as it related to the

1 United States Military's role in the homeland security mission. From 2008 to 2011, he served as
2 the Deputy Sector Commander in Southeastern New England, and from 2011 to 2013 he served
3 as the United States Coast Guard's Service Advisor to the United States Naval War College in
4 Newport, Rhode Island; and

5 WHEREAS, Since April of 2013, Captain Kondratowicz has been serving as the
6 Commander of Sector Southeastern New England. In this capacity, he serves as the Captain of the
7 Port and the Officer in Charge, Marine Inspection, of an area that includes Rhode Island,
8 Southeast Massachusetts, Cape Cod, and the Islands of Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. He
9 oversees the execution of Coast Guard missions by eight Coast Guard small boat stations, two
10 aids to navigation teams, two marine safety detachments, and two sector offices. Captain
11 Kondratowicz has under his command, 462 active duty personnel, 110 reserve duty personnel, 19
12 civilian personnel, and 1,270 auxiliary personnel; and

13 WHEREAS, Captain Kondratowicz attained a Bachelor of Science degree in Business
14 Administration from Charter Oak State College, and a Master of Arts degree in National Security
15 and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College; now, therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
17 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Captain John Kondratowicz on his retirement from
18 the United States Coast Guard after thirty-six years of exemplary and devoted military service to
19 our nation. We wish him a most happy retirement and continued success in all his future
20 endeavors; and be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
22 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Captain John Kondratowicz, United States
23 Coast Guard.

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