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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

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

**EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF CLIFFORD FERREIRA,
JR.**

Introduced By: Representatives Chippendale, Donovan, Filippi, Marshall, and Shekarchi

Date Introduced: February 14, 2017

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with utmost sadness that this House has learned of the passing on
2 February 5, 2017, of Clifford Ferreira, Jr. He was the cherished son of Clifford and Paula
3 Ferreira, and the beloved brother of Christina Guimar and her husband, Richard. He is also
4 survived and will be dearly missed by his niece and nephew, Mikayla Patton and Richard
5 Guimar, III, and his loving companion, Sara Costa; and

6 WHEREAS, A resident of Bristol, Mr. Ferreira, better known as "Cliff" to his family and
7 many friends, attended Our Lady of Mt. Carmel School, Bristol High School, and Rhode Island
8 College. As a young boy, he loved to collect comic books, played Little League Baseball as well
9 as CYO Basketball, and served as an altar boy for Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Bristol. He
10 had an enduring passion for motorcycles and cars and was an avid Harley Davidson enthusiast.
11 His favorite expression was, "Drive it like you stole it" which is pretty much how he lived his life
12 - never afraid to work hard or play hard; and

13 WHEREAS, From an early age, Cliff was artistically gifted and loved to draw. In his
14 professional career as an engineering estimator, he infused his love of illustration into his work as
15 an expert in technical drawing and mechanical drafting with AutoCAD software. Much of his
16 professional career was spent in the custom manufacturing industry with Display World, Inc. in
17 Warren, PCL in Lincoln and T&C Woodworking in Pawtucket, where his ability to merge his
18 artistic talents with his love of mechanical engineering in order to excel as one of the foremost
19 experts in his industry. Cliff was also the co-owner of Intrepid Enterprises LLC., a real estate

1 investment and management company; and

2 WHEREAS, Cliff could often be found cruising his Harley Davidson Soft Tail, or custom
3 Sportster in Laconia New Hampshire or Sturgis South Dakota, enjoying his Corvette on the
4 Kancamagus Highway in New Hampshire, or touring the southwestern states of California,
5 Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, Colorado and Utah in a rented convertible. He took every
6 opportunity to explore God's beauty across the United States and always shared his glorious
7 experiences with friends; and

8 WHEREAS, Cliff was the kind of guy who would give you the "shirt off his back" and
9 was loved by anyone who ever spent more than five minutes with him. While he appeared to be a
10 rough and tumble, leather-clad biker, beneath that veneer was one of the most compassionate and
11 sincere individuals anyone could ever hope to meet. He opened his heart and home to anyone in
12 need, and had developed a circle of friends to whom he was mutually loved, dedicated, and loyal.
13 His absence will be keenly felt by many; and

14 WHEREAS, Cliff's love of our nation and his deep respect and admiration for the men
15 and women in our Armed Forces was recognized by his parents' final request on his behalf, that
16 any memorial contributions be made to Disabled American Veterans in lieu of flowers; now,
17 therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode and Providence
19 Plantations hereby extends its deepest condolences on the passing of Clifford Ferreira, Jr.; and be
20 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 Clifford and Paula Ferreira, and Family.

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