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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF EVELYN V. FARGNOLI

Introduced By: Senators Ruggerio, Goodwin, Ciccone, Metts, and Jabour

Date Introduced: June 13, 2017

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of Evelyn
2 V. Fagnoli, beloved wife of the late Ralph R. Fagnoli, cherished mother of John Fagnoli and
3 his wife, Bonnie, and Mary-Ellen Fagnoli, and the loving grandmother of James, John, and
4 Lesley Fagnoli; and

5 WHEREAS, Evelyn Fagnoli was born in the City of Providence into the large and
6 loving family of the late Antonio and Bernadina Verdi. She was the sister of Elvira LaTorre and
7 the late Thomas, Geno and Lester Verdi, and Eleanor Paparella, Maria Teresa Ciorlano, and
8 Josephine Verdi; and

9 WHEREAS, Possessed with an abundance of business acumen, Mrs. Fagnoli was the
10 owner of Specialty Cleansing Company in Providence. She had also been elected to the
11 Providence City Council where she served for sixteen years, retiring as Council President in
12 1998, and had been honored with the Italian American Verrazano Award in 1997; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition to making a wonderful home for her family, her business and her
14 service on the Providence City Council, Mrs. Fagnoli was also active in the community through
15 her association with a number of organizations including, President of the George J. West PTA,
16 Chair of the District 8 Democratic Committee, and a member of the Governor Garrahy
17 Commission on Libraries, the Narragansett Bay Commission, and the 5th Ward Democratic
18 Committee, to name just a few; and

19 WHEREAS, There is no doubt that Evelyn Fagnoli, a loving wife, mother and
20 grandmother, and a business woman and public servant, left an indelible mark on the lives of

1 those she knew and loved and on the community she served so well, and she will be dearly
2 missed; now, therefore be it

3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
4 hereby expresses our deepest sympathies on the passing of Evelyn V. Fagnoli; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
6 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to John Fagnoli and Family, and Mary-Allen
7 Fagnoli.

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