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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING DAVID J. LANNI ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT

Introduced By: Representatives Kazarian, Amore, Cunha, Hearn, and Regunberg

Date Introduced: June 13, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, The dictionary defines a barber as one whose business is cutting and
2 dressing hair, and shaving and trimming beards, and while there is no definition for a successful
3 shop, David Lanni discovered that the way to keeping his customers returning month after month,
4 and year after year, was by offering a great haircut at a reasonable price; and

5 WHEREAS, The haircutting business has been a Lanni family tradition, started by Dave's
6 father and shared with his seven brothers and sisters; and

7 WHEREAS, Lanni's Rumford Barber Salon was founded in 1963, and located on Circle
8 Street in Rumford; and while a shave and a haircut may no longer cost "two bits", with the
9 standard barbershop accoutrements and his well-honed barbering skills, Dave was an old-
10 fashioned barber whose longevity is indicative of the kind of successful symbiotic relationship
11 that can form between a neighborhood and a small business; and

12 WHEREAS, A longtime resident of Rumford, Dave has been a contributor and active
13 with numerous community groups for more than 60 years; and

14 WHEREAS, Throughout the decades, the multiple generations of customers who have
15 entered Lanni's Rumford Barber Salon have been greeted as longtime friends and entertained with
16 witty banter and, oftentimes, interesting debates that range from religion to politics, with the ills,
17 thrills, and mysteries of the world unraveled and regularly solved or resolved on any given
18 afternoon; and

19 WHEREAS, On June 2nd of 2018, after fifty-five years in business, Dave closed shop to
20 spend some well-earned leisure time. He will most assuredly be missed; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
2 honors and thanks Dave Lanni for keeping many in the East Providence area well-trimmed and
3 looking good. We furthermore wish him many years of good health, and much happiness; and be
4 it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
6 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. David J. Lanni.

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