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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF JEROME ANGELO SQUATRITO,
JR.

Introduced By: Representatives Azzinaro, Shekarchi, Vella-Wilkinson, Fellela, Abney,
Tobon, Corvese, Kennedy, and C Lima

Date Introduced: January 21, 2021

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Jerome A. "Jerry" Squatrito, Jr., of Bristol, Rhode Island, passed away on
2 December 26, 2020. Mr. Squatrito was born in Fall River, Massachusetts, son of Anita and the
3 late Jerome A. Squatrito; and

4 WHEREAS, Jerry Squatrito, was a 1974 graduate of Bristol High School, where he
5 played baseball and was a member of the first ice hockey team at Bristol High School. He was
6 also a passionate fan of the Boston Red Sox and the Boston Bruins; and

7 WHEREAS, For the past twenty-seven years, Mr. Squatrito served the Rhode Island
8 House of Representatives with integrity and tireless devotion. Since 2004, he served as the
9 Supervisor for the State of Rhode Island, House of Representatives Veterans' Affairs Committee
10 where he offered invaluable insight on issues related to veterans. He was always available
11 whenever a veteran needed assistance; and

12 WHEREAS, Prior to his service with the Rhode Island General Assembly, he served in a
13 number of different positions including working at the Rhode Island Veterans Home, and serving
14 as a member of the Defiance Hose Co. with the Bristol Fire Department. He also served as the
15 Brown University Head Equipment manager for all varsity sports and later was the Zamboni/rink
16 operator for Providence College. Mr. Squatrito also was the owner of J. Fox Screen Printing and
17 Embroidery in Bristol; and

18 WHEREAS, Jerry Squatrito was beloved by his friends and colleagues at the State
19 House. He was a dedicated public servant who cared deeply about the people he served. More

1 importantly, he was a loving, kind and caring son and friend, someone who always brought
2 laughter and joy into the lives of others; and

3 WHEREAS, Besides his mother, Anita Squatrito, Jerome Squatrito, Jr., leaves behind his
4 uncle Raymond Tarantelli, many cousins, and his closest friends, the DeCastro Family, including
5 Leslie, her children Kara Estrella and husband, Thomas, James DeCastro Jr., and his wife,
6 Camblin, and Leslie's grandchildren, Cole James Estrella and Kenzie Jade Estrella. He was
7 preceded in death by his sister, Dr. Geraldine Squatrito, DO; now, therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
9 expresses its deepest condolences to the Squatrito and DeCastro Families on the passing of
10 Jerome Angelo Squatrito, Jr.; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
12 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Mrs. Anita Squatrito and Leslie DeCastro.

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