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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF ELIZABETH VIOLET
BUCCI

Introduced By: Representatives Carson, Abney, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, and Tanzi

Date Introduced: June 08, 2021

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Elizabeth Violet Bucci was born in Middletown, Connecticut, in 1929 to
2 Caesare and Veronica Anelli. She was the youngest and remaining survivor of sixteen siblings;
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4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bucci moved to Newport as a young child and was a graduate of St.
5 Catherine’s Academy in Newport. As a young woman, she worked for the Canvassing Authority
6 as a secretary. Shortly thereafter, she met her late husband Anthony Bucci and together, they
7 launched a successful business, Bucci’s Combination Store on Bridge Street before permanently
8 settling on Thames Street in Newport; and

9 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bucci, in her duties as a proprietor, was widely known for her tireless
10 work ethic, as she strived daily to provide for her family and loved ones. In her more mature
11 years, she provided care for numerous elderly people, simply because it was the right thing to do.
12 She also was the unofficial babysitter for scores of neighborhood kids and the many dogs who
13 would visit the back of her store for a treat; and

14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bucci also took great joy in being part of the local community and
15 loved being introduced in her store to the younger members of the families of the parents who
16 had shopped at her store in years prior. She was an amazing listener who loved good
17 conversations, and her generosity and kindness earned her the endearing nickname of “Momma
18 Bucci”; and

19 WHEREAS, After six decades, Mrs. Bucci sold the family business to focus on her

1 family. In her free time, she loved to cook elaborate meals for her family, travelling with her
2 daughter, was an avid reader, and took great joy in spending time with and learning about the
3 various activities of her grandsons; and

4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Bucci is survived by her three children, Anthony Bucci, Veronica
5 Bucci and her husband, Stephen Mey, and Bruce Bucci and his wife, Mary. She also leaves
6 behind her grandsons, Wyatt Mey and Michael Bucci, and her many nieces, nephews and cousins.
7 She was preceded in death by her spouse, parents, siblings, and her grandson, Jeffrey Bucci; now,
8 therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
10 expresses its deepest condolences to the Bucci Family on the passing of Elizabeth Violet Bucci;
11 and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
13 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Anthony Bucci, Veronica Bucci and Bruce
14 Bucci.

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