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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF RHONDA ANN VESPIA

Introduced By: Representatives Fogarty, McEntee, Tanzi, Craven, Shekarchi,
Blazejewski, Filippi, Hull, Noret, and Kazarian

Date Introduced: February 03, 2022

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Rhonda
2 Ann Vespia. She was born in Providence, the daughter of Vincent Vespia and Judith-Ann Vespia,
3 and was the devoted mother of Dylan Gershkoff, Tyler Gershkoff, and the late Chad O'Brien. She
4 is also survived by her sisters Renee Caouette and her husband, Ronald Caouette, Jr., and Robin
5 Vespia, her nephew, Dante Caouette, and her devoted companion, John Peterson; and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Vespia was a South Kingstown High School graduate, where she was a
7 star athlete and an All-State sprinter. She continued her education at the Ocean State Business
8 Institute, and after graduation worked as an Oral Surgeon's Assistant for many years; and

9 WHEREAS, Ms. Vespia was an avid bodybuilder and a passionate supporter and
10 advocate of all-natural bodybuilding. She competed competitively in bodybuilding competitions
11 across New England, and received national recognition for her success and exploits; and

12 WHEREAS, In her free time, Ms. Vespia enjoyed traveling, gardening, and had a general
13 love for all things related to the outdoors. Most important in her life were her family, loved ones
14 and many friends. She was beloved for her natural empathy and compassion for others, her wit,
15 and the immense love she gave to all those fortunate enough to know her; now, therefore be it

16 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
17 expresses its deepest condolences to the Vespia Family on the passing of Rhonda Ann Vespia;
18 and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
20 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Vincent and Judith-Ann Vespia, Dylan

1 Gershkoff, Tyler Gershkoff, and John Peterson.

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