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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 PAULA M. CASEY

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Craven, Phillips, Bennett,
Amore, Abney, Shanley, Kennedy, and Solomon

Date Introduced: March 22, 2022

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with deepest sympathy that this House has learned of the passing of
2 Paula M. Casey, beloved mother of Michael Casey and his wife, Leticia DiPipi, our good friend
3 and colleague the Honorable Stephen Casey and his wife, Debra Hunt, Mark Casey and his wife,
4 Laura, Kristin Reino and her husband, Christopher, Peter Casey and his wife, Andrea, and the late
5 Christopher Casey; and

6 WHEREAS, Born in Boston, Massachusetts, Mrs. Casey was the daughter of Dr. Joseph
7 and Anna Antanelis, and the caring sister of Carol Romkey and the late Joanne Sweeny. She was
8 also aunt to several nieces and nephews, and the former wife of Joseph Casey; and

9 WHEREAS, Beautiful inside and out, Mrs. Casey was crowned Queen of the Eastern
10 States Exposition "The Big E" in 1964. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Elementary
11 Education and attained her Masters of Education from Boston State College; and

12 WHEREAS, Mrs. Casey raised her large and loving family with strength, courage, and
13 devotion, and particularly doted on her grandchildren, Alyssa and Christopher Casey, Elena and
14 John Casey, Emma and James Casey, and Casey Reino, all of whom brought great joy to her life;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, In addition to raising her family, Mrs. Casey provided for her family
17 teaching Kindergarten in the Boston Public Schools and elementary school at St. Mary's School
18 in Melrose. She later served as a substitute teacher within the Melrose Public Schools for many
19 years, and was an active member of the Washington School PTA and an instructor in the St.
20 Mary's Religious Education program; and

1 WHEREAS, Mrs. Casey embraced life's joys and simple pleasures. She enjoyed
2 gardening, sitting in the sunshine listening to birds and soaking up the sunshine, and possessed a
3 wonderful talent for still life painting; and

4 WHEREAS, Paula Casey's strong Christian Faith was an immense source of strength
5 throughout her life. She was a caring, forgiving and fun-loving woman who instilled her children
6 with morality and independence and by example, demonstrated the nobility of sacrifice and
7 altruism. She was blessed with their total love and devotion and she will be dearly missed; now,
8 therefore be it

9 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
10 extends deepest condolences and sympathy on the passing of Paula M. Casey; 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 Michael Casey and Family, the Honorable
13 Stephen Casey and Family, Mark Casey and Family, Kristin Reino and Family, and Peter Casey
14 and Family.

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