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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE  
JAMES JOSEPH SPEARMAN

Introduced By: Representatives Noret, Serpa, Chippendale, Nardone, Shekarchi,  
Blazejewski, P Morgan, Filippi, and Solomon

Date Introduced: April 26, 2022

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this House has learned of the passing of the  
2 Honorable James Joseph Spearman of Coventry. He was the devoted husband of Audrey  
3 Spearman for fifty-eight years; and

4           WHEREAS, Mr. Spearman was the son of the late James and Agnes Spearman. He  
5 graduated from LaSalle Academy in 1959 and proceeded to serve our nation with distinction in  
6 the United States Army with the rank of SP4; and

7           WHEREAS, After receiving his honorable discharge from the Army, Mr. Spearman  
8 became the proprietor of a Pepperidge Farms franchise for more than seventeen years. He later  
9 became a realtor for the Century 21 Towne Crier Agency in Coventry where he excelled and  
10 achieved numerous sales goals and awards thanks to his tireless work ethic and business acumen;  
11 and

12           WHEREAS, Mr. Spearman was also a dedicated public servant who served on the  
13 Coventry Town Council for eighteen years, and had served as a Past Vice President. Most  
14 currently, he was serving as the Town Sergeant of Coventry; and

15           WHEREAS, Mr. Spearman was involved in youth baseball in Coventry for many years,  
16 and served as a Coach and President of the Coventry Babe Ruth League for forty-seven years. He  
17 also established and coached in the Central Coventry Little League, founded the Coventry  
18 Basketball Association, and served as a Cub Scouts Master; and

19           WHEREAS, In addition to his wife, Audrey, Mr. Spearman leaves behind his children,

1 Colleen Printer and her husband, Timothy, James Spearman, Michael Spearman and his wife,  
2 Catherine, and was the proud grandfather of Timothy Printer and his wife, Erika, Kathryn Printer,  
3 Ethan Spearman, William Spearman, Ella Spearman, and Mary Spearman. He was also the  
4 brother of Maureen Jordan; now, therefore be it

5           RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby  
6 expresses its deepest condolences on the passing of James Joseph Spearman; and be it further

7           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
8 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Audrey Spearman and Family.

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