

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

SENATE RESOLUTION

**EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF EDWARD F. LEEDHAM,
JR.**

Introduced By: Senators Archambault, and Cano

Date Introduced: April 26, 2022

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of Edward
2 F. Leedham, Jr. Born in Pawtucket, he was the son of the late Edward Leedham, Sr., and Honora
3 Leedham, and was the beloved husband of Pauline Leedham for more than sixty-five years; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Leedham served our nation with honor and distinction for twenty-six
5 years in the United States Army. He served during the Korean War era and retired with the rank
6 of Command Sergeant Major; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Leedham also served with distinction as a police officer with the Town
8 of Seekonk for fourteen years, and had worked for Texas Instruments in Attleboro, Victoria
9 Creations in Warwick, and Home Depot in South Attleboro; and

10 WHEREAS, In his retirement, Mr. Leedham enjoyed travelling, playing golf, and
11 relishing the simple things in life like talking to his neighbors, sitting in his yard and watching the
12 birds and other animals, and taking care of his flowers; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition to his wife, Pauline, Mr. Leedham leaves behind his daughter,
14 Debbie Gendreau, and her husband, Bobby. He was the devoted grandfather to Kerri Gendreau,
15 David Gendreau, and the late Kristin Gendreau, and the great-grandfather of Colyn, Jaylee, Shea-
16 Lynn, Matthew, Calie, July, and the late Michael Robert and Savannah. He was also the great-
17 great-grandfather of Cecylia. He was the brother of Theresa Paquette and leaves behind several
18 nieces and nephews, and his beloved dogs, Molly, Mya and Baxter; now, therefore be it

19 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby expresses its deepest

1 condolences on the passing of Edward F. Leedham, Jr., and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to

3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Pauline Leedham and Family.

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