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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXTENDING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF FRANK KENDRA

Introduced By: Senator Melissa A. Murray

Date Introduced: June 22, 2022

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, It is with sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of Frank
2 Kendra, the devoted brother of Albert Kendra and his wife, Jeanne, the uncle of three nephews,
3 Michael Kendra and his wife, Heather, Jeffrey Kendra and his wife, Sarah, and Daniel Kendra
4 and his companion, Karen Pelletier, and the grand-uncle to many grand-nephews and grand-
5 nieces. He was predeceased by his companion, Nancy Franklin; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Kendra was born in Tokyo, Japan, the son of the late Walter and
7 Yoshiko Kendra. He had attended Woonsocket High School, and was a graduate of UMass-
8 Amherst; and

9 WHEREAS, Described by his students as "a passionate and fun educator who brought
10 energy to every class," Mr. Kendra had taught at the former Woonsocket Junior High School and
11 at Woonsocket High School for more than thirty-five years, and had continued to substitute teach
12 for many years after his retirement; and

13 WHEREAS, In his youth, Mr. Kendra had been a great athlete, who later served his
14 community as a volunteer hockey referee and baseball umpire. He enjoyed studying and
15 watching the stock market, as well as following local politics and visiting casinos. He was an
16 avid Boston Sports fan, had a large collection of favorite t-shirts, and loved all dogs but
17 particularly his faithful furry companion, Tawny; and

18 WHEREAS, Frank Kendra had a ready smile, an infectious laugh, and a friendly and
19 gregarious nature. He was a beloved friend and colleague, and will be fondly remembered and
20 dearly missed; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby expresses deepest
2 sympathy on the passing of Frank Kendra; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
4 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Albert Kendra and Family.

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