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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF GEORGE ROBERT SHERMAN, SR.

Introduced By: Senators E Morgan, Sosnowski, Zurier, LaMountain, de la Cruz, Rogers,
F. Lombardi, Quezada, Gu, and Britto

Date Introduced: April 04, 2024

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of George
2 Robert Sherman, Sr., of Hopkinton, the devoted husband of the late Shirley Sherman; and

3 WHEREAS, George Sherman, Sr., was born in Wakefield, the son of the late Robert and
4 Eva Sherman. He expressed his lifelong interest in a public safety service career when, at the age
5 of 15, he became a volunteer firefighter with the Charlestown/Richmond Fire Departments; and

6 WHEREAS, Mr. Sherman served our Nation with honor and distinction as a member of
7 the United States Marine Corps. He went on to serve a long and distinguished career with the
8 Carolina Fire Department, retiring as the Fire Chief. His legacy of public service excellence lives
9 on with his sons and grandchildren who are following his path serving as firefighters; and

10 WHEREAS, Sports were always an important part of Mr. Sherman's life. He coached
11 baseball, enjoyed fishing, and was a passionate NASCAR, New York Yankees and WWE
12 Wrestling fan. He also served as a Boy Scout Leader; and

13 WHEREAS, George Sherman, Sr., leaves behind his children George Sherman, Jr., and
14 his wife, Karen, Catherine Rogers, and her husband, Dale, Audura Pagliarini and her husband,
15 Michael, Frederick Sherman and his wife, Stacey, and Daniel Sherman and his companion, Erica
16 Martira. He also leaves behind 13 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and his sister-in-law
17 Pearl Turgeon; and

18 WHEREAS, First and foremost in Mr. Sherman's life was always his family. He was a
19 devoted husband, father, son and grandfather. He was a shining light whose life burned brightly
20 within the lives of his loved ones, many friends and the wider community, and his love and

1 legacy will live on forever in their hearts and minds; now, therefore be it

2 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island be and hereby expresses its
3 deepest condolences on the passing of George Robert Sherman, Sr., and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to George Sherman, Jr., Catherine Rogers, Audura
6 Pagliarini, Frederick Sherman, and Daniel Sherman.

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