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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING OUR DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF MARTHA JANE FOGARTY

<u>Introduced By:</u> Senators Goodwin, Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, Gallo, and Walaska <u>Date Introduced:</u> January 24, 2012 <u>Referred To:</u> Recommended for Immediate Consideration

WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of Martha
 Jane Fogarty, a remarkable woman whose love, compassion, and willingness to help those in
 need left an indelible impression on everyone she met; and

WHEREAS, The daughter of the late Benjamin and Lucienne Hague, Martha was the
cherished wife of the late Charles J. Fogarty, former State Senator and longtime head of the U.S.
Small Business Administration. Martha was the loving mother of Corleen Buckley, former Lt.
Gov. Charles J. Fogarty, State Sen. Paul Fogarty, Martha F. Dunn, and Ann Harwood. She was
the proud grandmother of Erin Nichols, Matthew Buckley, Patrick, Brendan and Daniel Fogarty,
Jeffrey, John and Allison Gabel, and Jacob and Samuel Harwood; and loving great-grandmother
to Caroline and Ethan Nichols; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Central High School, Martha worked for the former New England Telephone Company before going on to work with her late husband, Charles, in the management of Fogarty Nurseries. She was also a real estate broker and the intrepid Glocester correspondent for the Observer Newspaper; and

WHEREAS, A woman of tremendous faith, Martha was an active member of St. Philip's
Church, serving as a member of the Rosary and Altar Society, Perpetual Adoration, and an
integral part of the Catholic Charity Drive for many years; and

18 WHEREAS, An industrious civic booster who worked hard to better her community,19 Martha was a volunteer at the Harmony Library for many years, a charter member and past

- 1 president of the Glocester Lady Lions Club, and an elected voting moderator for the Town of
- 2 Glocester; and

WHEREAS, Even though we are diminished by this loss and mourn the passing of Martha, so must we celebrate the spirit, generosity, and courage with which she lived every day of her life; now, therefore be it

- RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
 hereby expresses our deepest condolences on the passing of Martha J. Fogarty; and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the State be and he hereby is authorized and directed
- 9 to transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Corleen Buckley, former Lt. Gov. Charles J.
- 10 Fogarty, State Sen. Paul Fogarty, Martha F. Dunn, and Ann Harwood.

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