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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

**CONGRATULATING STEVE SMITH AND THE NAKEDS ON THEIR INDUCTION INTO
THE RHODE ISLAND MUSIC HALL OF FAME**

Introduced By: Representatives Winfield, Costantino, O'Brien, O'Neill, and Kennedy

Date Introduced: April 25, 2013

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Since 1973, Steve Smith and the Nakeds have delighted Rhode Islanders
2 with their unique blend of rock 'n' roll and rhythm & blues. This horn-fueled force of nature has
3 helped shape the course of music in the Ocean State and throughout the nation; and

4 WHEREAS, Over the past four decades, Steve Smith has worked tirelessly to pull
5 together a cadre of talented performers, each of whom brings a phenomenal capacity to work as a
6 member of a team. Generations of Rhode Islanders have listened as Steve and the band honed
7 their musical chops working on gigs from one end of New England to the other; and

8 WHEREAS, The band has amassed considerable notoriety for its distinctive sound. They
9 have collaborated with some of the greatest musical talent in America at venues near and far. In
10 1994, they were called upon to play at a healthcare rally in Washington, D.C. and jammed for
11 former President Clinton. Steve Smith and the Nakeds went viral and became a household name
12 in 2008 when their rendition of "I'm Huge (And The Babes Go Wild)" was featured on the hit
13 television show, The Family Guy; and

14 WHEREAS, Steve Smith and the Nakeds have brought joy to thousands of fans in Rhode
15 Island through their musical creativity. As they continue to thrill audiences with their trailblazing
16 musical fare, they help cultivate a renewed appreciation for big horn music; and

17 WHEREAS, Steve Smith and the Nakeds are a Rhode Island treasure that deserve our
18 gratitude and admiration. Their status as a living legend has earned them a much-deserved place
19 in the Rhode Island Music Hall of Fame; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
2 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Steve Smith and the Naked8 on their induction into
3 the Rhode Island Music Hall of Fame. We are delighted that the musical accomplishments of this
4 Ocean State icon will be celebrated, honored, and permanently preserved. We wish all of the
5 current and former members of the band many more years of harmony, happiness, and health; and
6 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 Mr. Steve Smith.

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