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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

## IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

# SENATE RESOLUTION

## CONGRATULATING KENNETH AYARS ON RECEIVING THE AWARD OF MERIT FROM THE RHODE ISLAND NURSERY AND LANDSCAPE ASSOCIATION

Introduced By: Senators Sosnowski, Sheehan, Walaska, Kettle, and Cool Rumsey Date Introduced: February 28, 2013

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, Kenneth Ayars, the Chief of the Department of Environmental 2 Management's Division of Agriculture, was honored with the Award of Merit from the Rhode 3 Island Nursery and Landscape Association (RINLA) at the group's annual trade show and 4 seminar held on January 17th at the University of Rhode Island's Center for Biotechnology and 5 Life Sciences; and

6 WHEREAS, RINLA is the leading horticultural, agricultural, and landscape business 7 association in the state. Its members include nurseries, landscape contractors, arborists, irrigation 8 specialists, masons, garden centers, turf farms, landscape architects, landscape designers, 9 vegetable growers, cut flower growers, suppliers, and allied businesses. The association has a 10 long history of partnering with the University of Rhode Island in education, training, and research 11 that supports the green industries in Rhode Island; and

WHEREAS, A resident of Exeter, Kenneth Ayars has worked in the Rhode Island Division of Environmental Management's Division of Agriculture since 1987 and has served as division chief since 1998. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology, a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture and Resource Technology, and a Master of Science degree in Plant Sciences from the University of Rhode Island; now, therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
18 hereby congratulates Ken Ayars on receiving the award of Merit from the Rhode Island Nursery
19 and Landscape Association. We applaud him on all of his hard work and wish him continued

- 1 success; and be it further
- 2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 3 transmit a certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Kenneth Ayars.

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