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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2013

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING GEORGE H. TRIPLETT ON HIS SELECTION AS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR FOR 2013 BY THE NEWPORT ELKS LODGE #104

Introduced By: Senators Ottiano, Paiva Weed, and DiPalma

Date Introduced: April 03, 2013

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, Newport Elks Lodge # 104, noted for its charitable acts and wide variety of 2 benevolent programs that assist Rhode Islanders and their communities, has selected George H. 3 Triplett to be its Citizen of the Year for 2013; and 4 WHEREAS, The Citizen of the Year Award was established to recognize and encourage "the principles of Charity, Justice, Brotherly Love and Fidelity" within the community. George 5 6 Triplett has been chosen as the 2013 recipient of this prestigious award because of his consistent 7 and selfless expenditure of time, talent, and energy for the benefit of the City of Newport; and 8 WHEREAS, George graduated from Rogers High School in 1955, where he was voted 9 "Most Respected" by his high school classmates and received a track scholarship for college. He 10 went on to continue his studies at the University of Rhode Island; and 11 WHEREAS, Knowing the significance of education, George was elected to the Newport 12 School Committee, where he has served for sixteen years, and as chairman for four of those 13 years. In 1989, the Newport School Committee dedicated the "George H. Triplett Elementary School" in his honor; and 14 15 WHEREAS, In addition to being awarded the 2013 Citizen of the Year Award, Mr. Triplett has been the recipient of the Newport County NAACP "Role Model Award" and "Man of 16 the Year Award." He has also served tirelessly as the Director of the Newport County YMCA; 17 18 and

WHEREAS, George Triplett has earned the unqualified admiration and respect of one of

- 1 the largest and most active fraternal organizations in the world, the Elks, as well as the citizenry
- 2 of the City of Newport. His years of devoted service to the community are truly an inspiration to
- 3 us all; now, therefore be it
- 4 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
- 5 hereby congratulates and honors George H. Triplett on his selection as the 2013 Citizen of the
- 6 Year by the City of Newport Elks Lodge #104. We applaud his accomplishments and wish him
- 7 the very best health and continued success in all his future endeavors; and be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 9 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. George H. Triplett.

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