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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE ROCCO A.
QUATTROCCHI

Introduced By: Representatives Mattiello, DeSimone, Palangio, Lombardi, and
Costantino

Date Introduced: April 14, 2015

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with sadness and profound sympathy that this House of Representatives
2 mourns the passing on April 10, 2015, of our venerated former colleague, Rocco A. Quattrocchi,
3 the beloved husband of the late Dolores Quattrocchi, and the loving father of Joseph A.
4 Quattrocchi and his wife, Barbara, Cynthia A. Quattrocchi, and the late John J.M. Quattrocchi.
5 He is also survived by his cherished grandchildren, Charles Ruggerio and his wife, Jillian, Rocco
6 Quattrocchi and his wife, Alessandra, Joseph Quattrocchi and his wife, Krista, and Amanda
7 Fallon and her husband, William, and his three beautiful great-grandchildren, Ava Ruggerio, Mia
8 Ruggerio and Cristiano Quattrocchi; and

9 WHEREAS, Rocco Quattrocchi was born in the City of Providence, the son of the late
10 Giovanni and Vincenza Quattrocchi. He was the devoted brother of Josephine DeAngelis, and the
11 late Ali, John Jr., Elizabeth Bucci, Domenica Santagata, Martha Santoro, and Anna Smaldone.
12 He was a graduate of Classical High School, the University of Rhode Island, and had attended the
13 University of Bologna Medical School. In addition, he served our country with honor in the
14 United States Army during World War II; and

15 WHEREAS, A hard-working man, Mr. Quattrocchi owned and operated his family's very
16 successful business, Douglas Oil Company, for more than sixty-two years, retiring in 2013; and

17 WHEREAS, In 1968, the Honorable Rocco Quattrocchi was elected to the Rhode Island
18 General Assembly, where he served as the State Representative for the 7th district in Providence
19 from 1969 to 1970, and as the State Senator from the 4th district from 1971 to 1984. He was

1 devoted to his constituency, as well as myriad business and local organizations. During his
2 legislative tenure, he was the driving force behind the creation of the Narragansett Bay
3 Commission and for gaining university status and national recognition for both Johnson and
4 Wales University and New England Technical Institute, to name but a few of his many legislative
5 accomplishments; and

6 WHEREAS, Earning the respect and loyalty of his fellow legislators, Mr. Quattrocchi
7 served as a Senate Deputy Majority Leader from 1976 to 1980, Senate Majority Leader from
8 1980 to 1983, and had chaired numerous committees. He also served the party statewide as the
9 Democratic State Chairman from 1978 to 1983; and

10 WHEREAS, In addition to his efforts at the State House and his business, Mr.
11 Quattrocchi was always wholly involved in local events and causes and had received numerous
12 accolades for his dedication to our state. He was a member of the Kiwanis Foundation of Roger
13 Williams, the DaVinci Center, the United Cerebral Palsy Foundation, the John E. Forgarty
14 Center, the Italian American Club and the Italian American Heritage Society, and was a
15 communicate of St. Ann Church and a supporter of St. Anthony's Church. In his spare time, he
16 enjoyed golfing and was a member of the Metacomet Country Club, the Longboat Key Country
17 Club and was an International Member of the Royal St. Andrew's Golf Club in Scotland; and

18 WHEREAS, The Honorable Rocco Quattrocchi's generosity, loyalty, and sincerity
19 enriched the lives of all who were fortunate enough to have been part of his life, and his
20 dedication to public service truly made the future brighter for the citizens of this state; now,
21 therefore be it

22 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
23 Providence Plantations hereby expresses our deepest sympathies on the passing of the Honorable
24 Rocco A. Quattrocchi; and be it further

25 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
26 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Joseph A. Quattrocchi and Family, and Cynthia
27 A. Quattrocchi.

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