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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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

**CONGRATULATING THE NORTH SMITHFIELD HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC STUDENTS ON
THEIR PERFORMANCES AT THE HERITAGE BOSTON MUSIC FESTIVAL**

Introduced By: Representatives Newberry, Casey, Filippi, Morin, and Winfield

Date Introduced: May 05, 2015

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Under the devoted tutelage of North Smithfield High School Music
2 Directors Fritz Benz and Regina McAdam, and the watchful eyes of twelve very proud parent-
3 chaperons, 140 students representing North Smithfield High School and our state, sang their
4 hearts out, and delighted judges with their instrumental stylings, at the recent Heritage Boston
5 Music Festival; and

6 WHEREAS, Vying against numerous other teams from up and down the eastern
7 seaboard, the high school's talented Chamber Choir earned a Gold rating, the 1st place award, and
8 the Outstanding Choral Group Award, and the Women's Chorus also earned its members a gold
9 rating; and

10 WHEREAS, Receiving their own accolades, the school's Symphonic Band and Jazz
11 Ensemble both earned Gold ratings and 1st place honors, and the Concert Band earned a Gold
12 rating and a 2nd place honor; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition, special awards were given to groups and combinations of
14 groups who earned very high scores during their festival performances. Ultimately, the North
15 Smithfield High School bands won the Instrumental Sweepstakes Trophy for most Outstanding
16 Instrumental Program and the school's Choirs earned the Choral Sweepstakes Trophy for most
17 Outstanding Choral Program. In addition, the combination of the Bands, Jazz Band, and Chamber
18 Choir were honored with the Adjudicators Award for high average scores above 92 for the bands,
19 and 95 for the chorus; and

1 WHEREAS, Five Heritage "Ovation" awards were presented at the Festival to individual
2 students singled out for special recognition. Of the five awards, four were presented to North
3 Smithfield High School's Music students, Ian Pascoe, Matt Ether, Sarah Pugliese, and Lana
4 Delasanta, and the entire North Smithfield High School Music Program earned the Festival
5 Sweepstakes Award for the most Outstanding Total Music Program at the Festival; and

6 WHEREAS, Perhaps as equally impressive as the honors and accolades attained by these
7 very talented student-musicians during this whirlwind musical competition, was their
8 performance off the stage as they represented their school and our state with spirit, pride, and
9 excellence; now, therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
11 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Music Directors Fritz Benz and Regina McAdam
12 and the entire 140 North Smithfield High School Music students who participated in the Heritage
13 Boston Music Festival for their outstanding performances. We furthermore wish them the best of
14 luck and much success in all their future endeavors; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
16 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Fritz Benz and Regina McAdam.

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