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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

## IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015**

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE HENDRICKEN HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE 2015 RHODE ISLAND DIVISION I BASEBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Introduced By: Representatives Solomon, Naughton, Shekarchi, Trillo, and McNamara

Date Introduced: June 23, 2015

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, The Hendricken High School Baseball Team had an outstanding regular 2 season, compiling a perfect record and winning the Division I-A Title; and 3 WHEREAS, In the state finals, Hendricken faced a strong Cumberland team for the 4 championship in a best of three series. After dropping the first game by the score of 3 to 1, Hendricken struck back in game 2, winning easily 9 to 0, to force a decisive third game; and 5 6 WHEREAS, In one of the greatest games in Rhode Island High School Baseball history, 7 Hendricken prevailed in a come from behind victory that will be remembered by Rhode Island 8 sports fans for decades. Trailing 1-0 entering the ninth inning, Hendricken stayed alive by 9 manufacturing a run to force extra innings. In the 10th inning, Cumberland had bases loaded with 10 no outs but Hendricken incredibly escaped unscathed thanks to the clutch relief pitching provided 11 by Mike Webb. In the bottom of the 10th, Hendricken won the game, and the state title, thanks to 12 Gian Martellini's double that drove in John Willette from second base; and 13 WHEREAS, Winning a championship in any sport requires that every member of the 14 team give all they have and place individual wants secondary to team needs and goals. The 15 Hendricken Baseball Team had these qualities in abundance as they were led all season by the outstanding play provided by Captain John Toppa and his teammates Christian R. Aybar, John E. 16 Willette, Michael P. Webb, Jason M. Comeau, Mike McCaffrey, Joseph L. Maynard, Kevin M. 17 Sutyla, Brendan P. Conley, Matthew D. Kennedy, Kyle S. Barbato, Gian Martellini, Anthony M. 18 19 Cofone, Dante Baldelli, Jordan D. Carvalho, Billy Keegan, Nick A. Feola, Andrew C. Flint,

- 1 Caleb Wurster, Elijah J. Brown, Andrew J. Ciacciarelli, Colin J. McBride, and Marc D. Andrews.
- 2 The Hendricken Baseball Team also benefitted all season from the superb coaching provided by
- 3 Head Coach Ed Holloway, and Assistant Coaches Bill Campbell, Bryan Leahey, Chris Sheehan,
- 4 and Ian Smith; now, therefore be it
- 5 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
- 6 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates the Hendricken Baseball Team on winning the 2015
- 7 Rhode Island Division I Baseball Championship; 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. Ed Holloway, Head Coach, Hendricken
- 10 Baseball.

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