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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

## IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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

## JOINT RESOLUTION

# CONGRATULATING SUSAN DONOVAN ON RECEIVING THE 2015 BRISTOL 4TH OF JULY HATTIE BROWN AWARD

Introduced By: Representatives Gallison, and Marshall

Date Introduced: June 25, 2015

Referred To: House read and passed

Bristol, and the Bristol Warren Special Olympics Team; and

WHEREAS, Susan Donovan is the recipient of the 2015 Bristol 4th of July Hattie Brown 1 2 Award for her civic commitment to the Town of Bristol. It is awarded annually at the 4th of July 3 Patriotic Exercises at Colt School to a "Bristolian who shows the same spirit of charity and 4 community service Hattie Brown was known for"; and WHEREAS, Ms. Donovan showed an interest in community service as a young girl 5 growing up in Bristol, volunteering at the Rhode Island Veterans' Home and serving her 6 7 community as a member of the Girl Scouts; and 8 WHEREAS, Ms. Donovan has worked tirelessly through the years in support of local 9 Bristol charities. She served as a member of the Bristol Art Museum Board and was instrumental 10 in helping it to attain its own permanent space at Linden Place. In the 1980's, she worked for St. 11 Michael's Church when it received a large donation, which was designed to be given to Habitat 12 for Humanity. However, because Habitat for Humanity at that time did not have a presence in the 13 Bristol area, the money was destined for Providence, until Ms. Donovan stepped in and started a 14 new Habitat for Humanity affiliate on the East Bay, thereby saving these funds for the local 15 community; and 16 WHEREAS, Through the years, Ms. Donovan worked with numerous other charitable entities including Save Bristol Harbor, which prevented a liquefied natural gas facility from being 17 18 placed in Mount Hope Bay, the Bristol Warren Educational Foundation, Voices and Visions for

WHEREAS, Ms. Donovan is married to Glenn and together they have three children,
Glenn, Colleen, and Cara. She has already passed on her passion for public service to her
children, one of whom spent a year in a Peruvian rainforest working on clean water service and
public health projects, and is currently in Bolivia working on similar projects; now, therefore be it
RESOLVED, That this General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island and Providence
Plantations hereby congratulates Susan Donovan on receiving the 2015 Bristol 4th of July Hattie
Brown Award. We thank her for her lifetime of service to her community, and wish her continued
success in all her future endeavors; and be it further
RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Susan Donovan.

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