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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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SENATE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING PROFOUND SYMPATHY ON THE PASSING OF SALLY A. RAWNSLEY

Introduced By: Senators Ottiano, Paiva Weed, Miller, Sosnowski, and Walaska

Date Introduced: April 29, 2015

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, It is with great sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of Sally  
2   Rawnsley, beloved wife of the late Renton Rawnsley, and the devoted mother of Sarah Rawnsley,  
3   Christopher Rawnsley and his wife, Susan, and Brian Rawnsley and his wife, Jessica; and

4           WHEREAS, Born in Newport to the late John and M. Corinne Riley, Mrs. Rawnsley was  
5   the beloved sister of four brothers, John Riley, Thomas Riley, David Riley, and Joseph Riley, and  
6   one sister, the late Mary Riley. She was a graduate of Rogers High School in Newport, and St.  
7   Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing; and

8           WHEREAS, Sally Rawnsley's loving personality created a home that was warm and  
9   welcoming. She doted on her family, particularly her grandchildren Christopher Rawnsley,  
10   Thomas Connell, Patrick Connell, and Aiden Rawnsley, and her great grandchildren, Leah  
11   Connell, Faith Rawnsley, Patrick Connell Jr., and Madelyn Connell; and

12          WHEREAS, In addition to her family life, Mrs. Rawnsley was involved with myriad  
13   parishes that she attended while traveling with her family in the military, and had been very  
14   active and a faithful communicant at St. Lucy's Church in Middletown. She also enjoyed  
15   gardening, knitting, and cooking for her family; and

16          WHEREAS, Sally Rawnsley was the heart and soul of her family. Her kindheartedness  
17   and sincerity will forever be indelibly imprinted on the lives and in the cherished memories of her  
18   entire family. She enriched the lives of all who had the good fortune to have known her and she  
19   will be dearly missed; now, therefore be it

20          RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

1 hereby expresses our deepest sympathies on the passing of Sally A. Rawnsley. She will be  
2 forever remembered as a devoted wife and loving mother; and be it further  
3 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
4 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Sarah Rawnsley, Christopher Rawnsley and  
5 Family, and Brian Rawnsley and Family.

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