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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE COVENTRY GIRLS' FAST PITCH SOFTBALL TEAM ON WINNING THE 2015 RHODE ISLAND FAST PITCH SOFTBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Introduced By: Senators Kettle, and Raptakis

Date Introduced: June 23, 2015

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

WHEREAS, The Coventry Girls' Fast Pitch Softball Team persevered all season, never 1 2 allowing a loss or set-back to hold them back or harm their spirits, and as a result, they scraped 3 and clawed their way to a thrilling and gutsy victory in the Rhode Island Fast Pitch Softball State 4 Championship; and WHEREAS, In a state tournament filled with close games and lots of excitement, the 5 Coventry Squad climbed out of the losers' bracket and incredibly won seven games, including 6 7 five straight elimination games, to claim the state title. In the title round against defending 8 champion North Kingstown, Coventry had to win two games to emerge victorious while North 9 Kingstown only needed to win one game. In the first game, Coventry won a slug-fest 7 to 5 to 10 force a deciding game for the Championship. In the deciding game, Coventry won a nail-biter 3 11 to 2, as they were led by the superb pitching provided by pitcher Sophia Gervasio, and a clutch 12 home-run hit by Kaitlin Mattera; and 13 WHEREAS, Winning a state championship requires that every member of the team give 14 their all and put personal desires behind team needs and aspirations. Coventry was led all season 15 by the exemplary leadership provided by team Captains Sophia O. Gervasio, Alyssa Derrick and Amanda N. Ritarossi, along with the contributions provided by Marisa N. Fascio, Jess Dabreo, 16 17 Alexis Poole, Alexis Schopac, Lauren Giampietro, Leah Giampietro, Brooke Keresztessy, Carly 18 Furtado, Melanie Howard, Brianna Marino, Kaitlin Mattera, Tarah Dawley, Mackenzie Ricci,

Nicole Breindel, Lindsey Rugg, Alyssa Sabatino, and Maxine Colvin. The softball squad was also

- 1 aided all season by the outstanding coaching provided by Head Coach Chris Daigneault, and
- 2 Assistance Coach Deborah Konuch; now, therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That This Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
- 4 hereby congratulates the Coventry Girls' Fast Pitch Softball Team on winning the 2015 Rhode
- 5 Island Fast Pitch Softball State Championship; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 7 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Chris Daigneault, Head Coach, Coventry
- 8 Girls' Fast Pitch Softball Team.

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