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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

HOUSE RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20TH, 2016, AS "#DSTRONG DAY" IN HONOR OF DORIAN MURRAY

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives Kennedy, Azzinaro, Filippi, Mattiello, and DeSimone

Date Introduced: January 20, 2016

Referred To: House read and passed

WHEREAS, Dorian Murray is the beautiful and bright 8-year-old son of Chris and 1 2 Melissa Murray and a resident of the Town of Westerly; and 3 WHEREAS, At a time in life when most young boys are thinking of nothing more than 4 playing with friends, Dorian was diagnosed with rhabdomyosarcoma, a rare cancer that has spread to his spinal fluid and brain; and 5 6 WHEREAS, For some people, that diagnosis may well have limited their joy for life or 7 their ambitions, not so for Dorian. With a strength that belies his youth, and the optimism of a pure heart, Dorian lives his life with gusto and courage; and 8 9 WHEREAS, Without missing a step or holding back, Dorian has big dreams and plans. 10 He has gone to Disney World, met with Patriots tight end Rob Gronkowski, and wants to be 11 famous in China. He has succeeded beyond all expectations, and has become a worldwide 12 sensation, with #DSTRONG signs and postings popping up on the Great Wall of China and 13 numerous other locations across that nation, as well as in Australia, Italy, Syria, Brazil, Germany, 14 Singapore, and France, and within the United States, at the Maryland NASA Goddard Space 15 Flight Center, in Gold Canyon, Arizona, California, and Florida; and WHEREAS, Dorian Murray's determination in the face of adversity is inspirational, his 16 spirit makes him a joy to be around, and he is ultimately worthy of our recognition and 17

RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and

- 1 Providence Plantations hereby proclaims Wednesday, January 20th, 2016, as "#DSTRONG Day"
- 2 in honor of Dorian Murray; and be it further
- 3 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 4 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Dorian Murray and Family.

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