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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING EAST GREENWICH HIGH SCHOOL QUARTERBACK NICK ANDREOZZI ON WINNING THE 2015 GATORADE RHODE ISLAND FOOTBALL PLAYER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Introduced By: Representatives Giarrusso, and Trillo

Date Introduced: February 03, 2016

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, For the last thirty-one years, Gatorade has been honoring the best high 2 school athletes across the nation. The Gatorade Player of the Year program each year recognizes 3 one winner from each of the fifty states and the District of Columbia that plays high school football, girls volleyball, boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls 4 5 soccer, baseball, softball and boys and girls track and field. Gatorade also selects a National Player of the Year Award in each of these sports. The Gatorade Award recognizes athletic 6 7 excellence, academic achievement and exemplary character; and WHEREAS, Nick Andreozzi is the first East Greenwich High School Football Player to 8 9 win the Gatorade Football Player of the Year Award. Under Nick's leadership and stewardship, 10 East Greenwich won the Division III State Title, defeating Lincoln in the Semi-Finals and 11 Classical in the Championship game. Nick in 2015 passed for an astounding 2,096 yards, 12 completing 137 of 199 passes, and throwing 35 touchdown passes. He also rushed for 322 yards 13 and 5 touchdowns on only 47 carries. He also maintained a strong B average in his coursework at 14 school and "represents one of the state's top academic candidates in meeting the Gatorade 15 Award's broad criteria."; and WHEREAS, Often, the highest praise an athlete can receive are those compliments that 16 17 come from a rival player or coach. Nick Andreozzi was deeply respected and feared by the 18 opposition, with rival head coach Mike Gibbons, of Hope High School, saying of Nick, "he's not

a big kid but is in full control of his offense and makes plays within his scheme as well as outside

- 1 of the script. A very accurate passer and quick on his feet, Nick makes plays as they come to
- 2 him"; now, therefore be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
- 4 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates East Greenwich High School Quarterback Nick
- 5 Andreozzi on winning the prestigious 2015 Gatorade Rhode Island Football Player of the Year
- 6 Award. We congratulate him for his achievements and wish him continued success in his future;
- 7 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 Nick Andreozzi.

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