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# STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

#### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

#### **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016**

### HOUSE RESOLUTION

THANKING CHIEF AARON MARSLAND OF THE FOSTER CENTER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR HIS TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF MERITORIOUS SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF FOSTER, RHODE ISLAND

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representative Michael W. Chippendale

Date Introduced: May 17, 2016

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Chief Aaron Marsland of the Foster Center Volunteer Fire Department is a 2 dedicated and exemplary Public Safety Officer who has served the people of Foster, Rhode 3 Island, for the past twenty-five years with honor, integrity and tireless devotion; and 4 WHEREAS, Chief Marsland began his distinguished public safety service career at the 5 young age of 14, when he served as a Junior Firefighter. Since then, he has served in a number of capacities within the Foster Center Volunteer Fire Department, holding the ranks of Chief 6 7 Engineer, Lieutenant, Captain, Deputy Chief and Chief and his current position of Chief; and 8 WHEREAS, Chief Marsland is an innovative and inspirational leader who has had 9 numerous accomplishments during his public service career. He has written numerous grants, 10 acquired a Hummer motor vehicle at no cost to the department, and was able to utilize it to help 11 fight forest fires and transport personnel in bad weather, and prudently purchased Scott bottles for 12 his firefighters at a very low cost to the taxpayers. He is a licensed Ham Radio operator who was 13 able to add 800mhz radios at no cost to the town, which will allow the Fire Department to 14 significantly improve its communication with other towns; and 15 WHEREAS, Chief Marsland is a devoted public leader who is a well-respected and beloved figure within the Town of Foster. Both the general public and the men and women under 16 17 his command have a deep appreciation for the service he has provided to them and the Town of 18 Foster. Chief Marsland loves helping people and he always makes the safety of those under his 19 command and the citizens of Foster the first priority in his life; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
Providence Plantations hereby thanks Chief Aaron Marsland of the Foster Center Volunteer Fire
Department for his twenty-five years of exemplary and dedicated service to the citizens of Foster;
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 Chief Aaron Marsland, Foster Center Volunteer
Fire Department.

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