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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

### IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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

### SENATE RESOLUTION

# PROCLAIMING TUESDAY, MARCH 22ND, 2016, AS "ASHLEY WEEKS' DAY" IN HONOR OF ASHLEY WEEKS

Introduced By: Senators Nesselbush, Paiva Weed, Goodwin, Ruggerio, and Lombardi

Date Introduced: March 22, 2016

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1	WHEREAS, Ashley Weeks is a talented young woman from Wakefield, Rhode Island;
2	and
3	WHEREAS, Ashley was diagnosed with both colorectal and uterine cancer, stemming
4	from the genetic cancer susceptibility syndrome known as Hereditary Non Polyposis Colorectal
5	Cancer or Lynch Syndrome; and
6	WHEREAS, For many people, that diagnosis may well have limited their ambitions, not
7	so for Ashley. She is a bright and energetic wife, mother, and teacher, who lives her life with
8	enthusiasm and a desire to help others; and
9	WHEREAS, Ashley has devoted her copious talents and skills to advocating for the early
10	screening of colorectal cancer, uterine cancer, and Heredity Cancer Syndromes; and
11	WHEREAS, Ashley's willingness to reach out to help others makes her a true inspiration.
12	Her media campaigns have introduced many to her message, and resultantly, hundreds of people
13	have been reached and encouraged to embark on early screening and detection for colorectal and
14	hereditary cancers; and
15	WHEREAS, Ashley's optimism and dedication to advocacy is inspirational and her desire
16	to educate and encourage others to embrace screening is worthy of our recognition and
17	admiration; now, therefore be
18	RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
19	hereby proclaims Tuesday, March 22 <sup>nd,</sup> 2016, as "Ashley Weeks' Day," in her honor; and be it

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- 2 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 3 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Ashley Weeks.

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