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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING J. CHRISTIAN WOULFE ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER MORE THAN FORTY-ONE YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED AND DEVOTED SERVICE TO THE SCANDINAVIAN HOME AND THE ENTIRE SENIOR CITIZEN COMMUNITY OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Kettle, and Miller

Date Introduced: May 18, 2016

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

WHEREAS, The Scandinavian Home, founded in 1930, is a nonprofit living community 1 2 located in the Edgewood section of Cranston, Rhode Island. The Scandinavian Home offers a 3 wide range of services including assisted living services, rehabilitation and skilled nurses services, family education programs, support groups, and a chaplaincy program that offers 4 5 spiritual, emotional and religious support to its residents and families of all faiths; and 6 WHEREAS, J. Christian "Chris" Woulfe has served as the Administrator and Executive Director of the Scandanavian Home since 1980. Under his guidance and direction, the 7 8 Scandanavian Home constructed its Assisted living Community facilities in 1991, and made 9 significant renovations to the Scandanavian Nursing Home. In 2013 and 2014, Mr. Woulfe 10 oversaw further needed renovations to the Scandanavian Rehabilitation & Skilled Nursing 11 facilities and the Assisted Living facilities. More importantly, under Mr. Woulfe's direction, the 12 Scandanavian Home has earned a well-deserved reputation for providing its residents with the best care and quality possible while at the same time honoring and maintaining the dignity of 13 14 every patient; and 15 WHEREAS, Mr. Woulfe has been a tireless and vocal advocate and proponent for the nursing home and assisted living care community and its organizations. He was a founding 16 member of the Rhode Island Association of Facilities and Services for the Aging (RIAFSA), now 17

known as Leading Age of Rhode Island. Mr. Woulfe, through his affiliation with RIAFSA,

1	became involved with the American Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (AAHSA),
2	a leading national organization for nonprofit long-term care, and now known as Leading Age,
3	where he served in their House of Delegates for four years. Mr. Woulfe also was a founding
4	member of CareLink, a nonprofit network of post-acute care providers, and was a founding
5	member and President, of the Rhode Island Nursing Home Group, a workers' compensation self-
6	insurance group created to combat high premiums and a shortage of carriers; now, therefore be it
7	RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
8	hereby congratulates J. Christian Woulfe on his retirement after forty-one years of exemplary and
9	dedicated service to the Scandanavian Home and the entire senior citizen community of Rhode
10	Island; and be it further
11	RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
12	transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. J. Christian Woulfe.

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