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HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING MICHAEL J. FRINK ON HIS RETIREMENT AS CHIEF OF THE DUNN'S CORNER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Introduced By: Representatives Azzinaro, Kennedy, Shekarchi, Corvese, and Filippi

Date Introduced: March 23, 2017

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Dunn's Corner Fire Department Chief Michael J. Frink is retiring after thirty 2 years of devoted and meritorious service to the citizens of Westerly; and 3 WHEREAS, Chief Frink began his distinguished firefighting career when he joined the 4 Dunn's Corner Fire Department as a sixteen-year old student. Since then, he has served the fire district in myriad capacities and has steadily risen through the ranks, culminating with his 5 appointment to the rank of Chief in 2004, and the decision by the fire department to hire Chief 6 7 Frink as their first full-time paid Chief in 2008; and 8 WHEREAS, In his more than twelve years as Fire Chief, Mr. Frink has proven to be an 9 effective and innovative leader. His tireless work ethic and abiding concern for those under his 10 command has earned him unwavering respect from the community he serves; and 11 WHEREAS, In his capacity as Fire Chief, Mr. Frink has played a vital role in the 12 expansion of the department. Thanks to his leadership, Dunn's Corner recently added a new class 13 of eleven volunteer firefighters, all ready and able to serve in full capacity within the department; and 14 15 WHEREAS, Chief Frink also served as President of the Rhode Island Association of Fire Chiefs Executive Board in 2014 and 2015, and played a key role in the establishment and 16 unveiling of a media campaign aimed at improving volunteer ranks across the state. Chief Frink is 17 18 married to Heather and they are the proud parents of Brittany and Austin; now, therefore be it

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

- 1 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Michael J. Frink on his retirement as the Chief of the
- 2 Dunn's Corner Fire Department; 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 Chief Michael J. Frink, Dunn's Corner Fire
- 5 Department.

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