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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017

AN ACT

RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS AND DEFENSE -- MONUMENTS AND MEMORIALS

Introduced By: Senators Sheehan, Jabour, Coyne, and Cote

Date Introduced: February 01, 2017

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 30-28 of the General Laws entitled "Monuments and Memorials" is
- 2 hereby amended by adding thereto the following section:
- 3 <u>30-28-13. Commemorative flag.</u>
- 4 (a) The general assembly shall designate the Honor and Remember flag as the state of
- 5 Rhode Island's emblem of service and sacrifice by the brave men and women of the United States
- 6 <u>armed forces who have given their lives in the line of duty.</u>
- 7 (b) The Honor and Remember flag shall be flown at the Rhode Island State House and
- 8 Veterans Cemetery in Exeter beneath the state flag on Memorial Day, on Gold Star Parents' Day,
- 9 and during any period of mourning for a Rhode Island member of the armed forces of the United
- 10 States killed in action or who dies as a result of wounds suffered in action while deployed in a
- declared or undeclared war when flags are flown at half-staff as directed by the governor.
- 12 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1	This act would designate the Honor and Remember flag as Rhode Island's emblem for
2	service and sacrifice of members in the United States armed forces who have made the ultimate
3	sacrifice in the line of duty. It would require that the flag be flown at the State House and
4	Veterans Cemetery in Exeter beneath the state flag on Memorial Day, Gold Star Parents Day and
5	during any period of mourning for a state resident who has made the ultimate sacrifice when flags
6	are flown at half-staff by order of the governor.
7	This act would take effect upon passage.
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