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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

## IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## **JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2017**

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## SENATE RESOLUTION

HONORING PETER STETSON ON HIS RETIREMENT AFTER MORE THAN 40 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE EDUCATING THE YOUNG PEOPLE AT COVENTRY HIGH SCHOOL

Introduced By: Senators Kettle, Raptakis, Morgan, Metts, and Lombardi

Date Introduced: May 31, 2017

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, To the very good fortune of many a Coventry High School student, Peter 2 Stetson began his dedicated career in the field of education four decades ago on September 27th of 3 1977; and 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Stetson is a highly creative Science teacher at Coventry High School, whose can-do attitude combined with dynamic teaching methods, relevant subject matter, and 5 6 remarkable apparel eccentricities have made him a stand-out teacher and have played a vital role 7 in the educational experience for many young people in the Town of Coventry; and 8 WHEREAS, Notably dedicated to his students and education, Mr. Stetson was named the 9 2007 Southern Rhode Island Conservation Teacher of the Year, and has been recognized for his 10 volunteerism at Yawgoog Scout Preservation and for his excellent attendance during several 11 school years as well as perfect attendance during the 2010/2011 school year; and 12 WHEREAS, Spending countless hours assisting students in afterschool activities, Mr. Stetson runs the Envirothon Club, presented at a Professional Development Day, helped organize 13 the 7th annual HUNT at the school, and worked with students on the 2009/2010 school Service 14 15 Learning project; and 16 WHEREAS, One of the more extraordinary projects that Mr. Stetson's students have been able to study is the yearly rearing of sixty or so trout fingerlings, donated from a fish hatchery in 17 18 North Kingstown and raised in an enormous refrigerated and filtrated tank at the school; and

WHEREAS, Peter Stetson has always gone above and beyond, and his accomplishments

- and the positive impact he has had on lives of myriad young people in Coventry and this state will
- 2 be felt for generations; now, therefore be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
- 4 hereby honors and commends Peter Stetson on his retirement after more than 40 outstanding
- 5 years of service to thousands of students in the Town of Coventry. We thank him for all his
- 6 efforts, and wish him good health, fulfillment and much success in all his future endeavors; and
- 7 be it further
- 8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 9 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Peter Stetson.

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