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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS ON THEIR EXEMPLARY 2017-2018 NFL SEASON THUS FAR, AND WISHING THEM CONTINUED SUCCESS IN SUPER BOWL LII

Introduced By: Representatives Marshall, Mattiello, Shekarchi, Morgan, and Mendonca

Date Introduced: February 01, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, The New England Patriots, a dominating fixture on the NFL scene since  
2 2001, have once again provided their loyal fans with a thrilling and quite successful season. The  
3 Patriots easily won the AFC East Division with a sterling 13-3 record. They were led by an  
4 explosive offense, a stingy defense, and a solid kicking game. The Patriots will be playing in the  
5 Super Bowl for the 10th time in the franchise's illustrious history; and

6           WHEREAS, Tom Brady, arguably the greatest quarterback in NFL history, once again  
7 had an outstanding regular season. He threw for more than 4,000 yards, with a superb 66.3  
8 completion percentage. He also threw 32 touchdown passes with only 8 interceptions; and

9           WHEREAS, The Patriots were once again led on the field of battle by their head coach,  
10 Bill Belichick, who has thus far compiled an NFL coaching record that easily rivals the greatest  
11 coaches in NFL history. In his eighteen seasons as the Patriots Head Coach, Belichick has led his  
12 team to eight Super Bowls, winning five of them thus far. He has taken the Patriots to the playoffs  
13 fourteen times in an eighteen year period and has compiled a phenomenal regular season record  
14 with the Patriots of 214 and 74; and

15           WHEREAS, The Patriots began their latest Super Bowl run by prevailing in their opening  
16 playoff game over the Tennessee Titans by the score of 35-14. In the AFC Championship game,  
17 played in Foxboro, the New England Patriots defeated the Jacksonville Jaguars in a thrilling game  
18 by the score of 24-20. Brady once again played superbly, throwing two touchdown passes and  
19 completing 26 of 38 passes for 290 yards, now therefore be it

1           RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
2 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates the New England Patriots on their championship  
3 NFL season thus far, and we wish them continued success, and victory, in the upcoming Super  
4 Bowl against the Philadelphia Eagles; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
6 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft, and  
7 New England Patriots Head Coach Bill Belichick.

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