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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

**HONORING REPRESENTATIVE AARON REGUNBERG FOR HIS SERVICE TO THE
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Mattiello, Shekarchi, Amore, Tanzi, and Ajello

Date Introduced: June 23, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Aaron Regunberg was first elected to the Rhode Island
2 House of Representatives on November 4th of 2014, serving a constituency that encompasses
3 neighborhoods in the City of Providence. He graduated magna cum laude from Brown University
4 with a Bachelor's degree in Political Science. He and his wife, Katie Cielinski, make their home
5 in the Mount Hope neighborhood of Providence; and

6 WHEREAS, As one of the youngest members of the House freshman class of 2015,
7 Aaron Regunberg learned quickly, maturing into a legislative innovator and staunch supporter of
8 Rhode Island's working families. He is a member of the House Committee on Labor and the
9 House Committee on Environment and Natural Resources; and

10 WHEREAS, During his first year in the House, Representative Regunberg successfully
11 sponsored legislation raising the state's minimum wage for tipped workers by \$1. Most recently,
12 he was the lead sponsor for legislation guaranteeing paid sick leave for more than 100,000 Rhode
13 Island employees, and legislation establishing online voter registration in the state, as well as the
14 creation of a new renewable energy program for low- and moderate-income housing; and

15 WHEREAS, In addition, Representative Regunberg led a legislative commission that
16 brought about policy changes in the use of solitary confinement in Rhode Island, and was a lead
17 sponsor for increased funding for school repairs, and legislation focusing on clean energy,
18 universal health care, and reproductive rights; and

19 WHEREAS, Representative Regunberg has been active in the community as co-founder

1 of the Providence Student Union, a nationally recognized nonprofit organization that has helped
2 students, parents and educators to come together to promote change in our schools, including
3 healthier school lunch options, more bus services for children, repairs for crumbling school
4 buildings, more student-centered learning, and a reduced emphasis on high-stakes testing; and

5 WHEREAS, As a Representative of the people, Aaron Regunberg has brought a new
6 sense of purpose and focus on the public's business, recognizing that a collegial environment best
7 serves the citizens of Rhode Island; and

8 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
9 Providence Plantations hereby honors Representative Aaron Regunberg for his dedicated service
10 to the people of Providence and the State. We moreover wish good health, much happiness, and
11 success in all his future endeavors; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
13 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Aaron Regunberg.

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