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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

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SENATE RESOLUTION

EXTENDING CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF FORMER STATE SENATOR, THE  
HONORABLE SANDRA K. HANAWAY

Introduced By: Senators Goodwin, Ruggerio, McCaffrey, Pearson, and Algieri

Date Introduced: January 11, 2018

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, It is with profound sadness and regret that this Senate has learned of the  
2 passing of the Honorable Sandra K. Hanaway, a former State Senator, the beloved wife of the late  
3 Honorable Paul E. Hanaway, also a former State Senator, and the cherished mother of four  
4 daughters, Maureen, Cristie, Deborah, and Sandy. She was also the very proud grandmother of  
5 eleven grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, five step-grandchildren and ten step-great-  
6 grandchildren, and the devoted companion of John J. Monaghan; and

7           WHEREAS, Born in Pawtucket, Sandra Hanaway was the daughter of the late Irving and  
8 Irene Platt. She was a graduate of Pawtucket's East High School, now Tolman, and attended  
9 Bryant College; and

10           WHEREAS, Upon her marriage in 1954, Sandra and Paul moved to Arlington, Virginia,  
11 where he served in the military and Sandra worked as a secretary in the Navy Department. After  
12 his discharge, the couple returned to Rhode Island, making their home in Cumberland, and  
13 becoming the owners of the G. Frank Hanaway Insurance Agency; and

14           WHEREAS, Deeply committed to her community, Mrs. Hanaway began her public  
15 service as a member of the board of the Cumberland Public Library, and in 1991, was  
16 successfully elected to the State Senate, a position she held for three terms before stepping down  
17 in 1997; and

18           WHEREAS, Mrs. Hanaway was always a whirlwind of activity and action. In addition to  
19 her family and public service, she was devoted to her faith, loved to ski, was an avid bicyclist and

1 golfer, enjoyed summers in Martha's Vineyard, traveled extensively, and rarely missed eating  
2 breakfast with her many friends at Everybody's Favorite in Cumberland; and

3 WHEREAS, The Honorable Sandra Hanaway was not only the family matriarch, but also  
4 the heart and soul of her family. Her devotion and sincerity will forever be indelibly imprinted on  
5 the lives and in the cherished memories of her entire family and many, many friends, and her  
6 service to the people of this state was commendable. She will be dearly missed; now, therefore be  
7 it

8 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
9 hereby expresses our deepest sympathies on the passing of the Honorable Sandra K. Hanaway;  
10 and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
12 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Maureen Aveno and Family, Cristie Hanaway  
13 and Family, Deborah McAneny and Family, Sandy Lariviere and Family, and John J. Monaghan.

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