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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2020

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING AND THANKING JULIA CALIFANO FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO  
THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON

Introduced By: Representatives Cassar, Knight, Speakman, Kennedy, and O'Brien

Date Introduced: December 14, 2020

Referred To: Placed on the House Consent Calendar

1           WHEREAS, Julia Califano earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature from  
2   Cornell University, and is a Graduate of the Johns Hopkins University with a Master's degree in  
3   Creative Writing. To the very good fortune of the citizens of Barrington, she chose to make the  
4   beautiful little town her home in 1976; and

5           WHEREAS, Initially involved with her children's school PTAs and with the League of  
6   Women Voters, Mrs. Califano successfully ran for Barrington Town Council and was elected and  
7   re-elected numerous times, serving as President of the Council from 1990 to 1992; and

8           WHEREAS, In 2008, Mrs. Califano was elected as the Barrington Town Moderator, a  
9   position she held until choosing to step down in 2020. Her primary duty as Town Moderator has  
10   been to prepare for and conduct the Town's annual financial town meeting, including managing  
11   the meeting, keeping everyone on task, and ensuring that the appropriate rules were followed. It  
12   has been said many times that she was a natural at the task; and

13          WHEREAS, In addition, Mrs. Califano has served the Town in myriad additional  
14   capacities over the years. She has been a leader in the Barrington Democratic Town Committee  
15   and has mentored numerous candidates and local activists over the years. She currently serves as  
16   Treasurer of the Barrington Preservation Society Board of Trustees and as a trustee and staffer of  
17   the Barrington Preservation Society Museum; and

18          WHEREAS, Julia Califano has touched the lives and hearts of so many people. She is  
19   truly an extraordinary woman who serves as a model of dedicated and conscientious civic service,

1 and is enormously worthy of our emulation and acknowledgement; now, therefore be it

2           RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby  
3 thanks Julia Califano for her dedicated service to the people of the Town Barrington. We wish her  
4 good health, fulfillment and continued success in all of her future endeavors; and be it further

5           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
6 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Julia Califano.

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