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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF THE HONORABLE
RICHARD W. SINGLETON

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, McLaughlin, Marszalkowski, Ackerman,
Kennedy, Edwards, Blazejewski, Filippi, Newberry, and Chippendale
Date Introduced: March 25, 2021

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this House has learned of the passing of the
2 Honorable Richard W. Singleton, a highly-respected former member of the Rhode Island House
3 of Representatives; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Singleton was born in Boston, the son of Mary Singleton and the late
5 Charles Singleton. He was a graduate of Northeastern University and went on to have a long and
6 successful career as a financial advisor and the owner of the Singleton Financial Group; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Singleton had a long and distinguished public service career. He was
8 elected to represent the citizens of Cumberland in District 52 for two terms from 2005 to 2009,
9 where he served his constituents and Rhode Island with honor, integrity and tireless service. He
10 was well-liked by all of his colleagues and was widely respected for his vast knowledge of
11 budgetary and financial issues. He also served as the Bellingham, Massachusetts, Town
12 Moderator, and most recently was appointed to the Bellingham School Committee; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Singleton, known by family and friends as "Richie", was a charismatic
14 person, devout patriot, devoted family man, and loyal friend to countless people. He loved the
15 music of Frank Sinatra, and was a long-time communicant and minstrel member at St. John
16 Vianney Church, where his drumming was compared to Buddy Rich and his voice was called
17 "angelic"; and

18 WHEREAS, In addition to his mother, Mr. Singleton leaves behind his children,
19 Christopher, Ryan, Katelyn, and Michael Singleton, and his grandchildren, Madison Squibb,

1 Christopher Singleton, Jr., Layla Singleton, and Cillian Ryan. He also leaves behind his siblings,
2 Daniel, Carole, Liza, Francis, and John Singleton; and

3 WHEREAS, The Honorable Richard Singleton consistently demonstrated an abiding
4 dedication to serving the best interests of his community and our State and he will be dearly
5 missed by all who had the good fortune to be part of his extraordinary life; now, therefore be it

6 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives hereby expresses its deepest
7 condolences to the Singleton Family on the passing of the Honorable Richard W. Singleton; and
8 be it further

9 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
10 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Christopher, Ryan, Katelyn and Michael
11 Singleton.

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