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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2021

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING THE CRANSTON HIGH SCHOOL WEST FALCONS COMBINED ICE HOCKEY TEAM ON WINNING THE RHODE ISLAND HIGH SCHOOL DIVISION II STATE ICE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIP

Introduced By: Senators Lombardi, Gallo, and Miller

Date Introduced: March 18, 2021

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, The Cranston High School West Falcons Hockey Team, a combined team 2 comprised of players from Cranston West High School and Cranston East High School, entered 3 the Rhode Island Hockey Division II playoffs with a great deal of confidence and momentum after compiling a sterling undefeated record in the regular season; and 4 5 WHEREAS, In the Quarterfinals of the Tournament, Cranston West defeated St. Raphael Academy 3-1 to advance to the Semifinals Game where they dispatched North Smithfield also by 6 7 the score of 3-1 to advance to the Division II Championship Series Finals; and WHEREAS, In a hard-fought Finals Series, Cranston won the epic first game by the 8 9 score of 4-3 in overtime. Senior Forward and Finals MVP Award winner Andrew Martin, scored 10 a clutch goal to tie the game before Junior Kaden Santurri scored the game-winner to give the 11 Falcons a big game one victory. In what turned out to be the deciding game, the Falcons jumped 12 out to a 3-0 lead, and thanks to Senior Goalie Matthew Corrente's twenty-five saves, held on to 13 win 4-2 and secure the State Title; and 14 WHEREAS, Winning a State Championship is a difficult accomplishment, one that can 15 only be attained if everyone on the team gives their all and puts personal aspirations behind team 16 goals. The Falcons had these qualities in abundance as they were led all season by the important 17 contributions provided by Benjamin Harding, Mickey Becker-Norton, Jacob Silva, Kaden 18 Santurri, David Bussius, Mark Cicerone, Harry Woloohosian, Todd Regine, Jaydin Rossi,

Cameron Arruda, Jared Ainley, Joseph Rapoza, Jason Levy, Andrew Martin, Jay Medina, Jeremy

- 1 Ainley, Justin Drohen, Jared Prior, Jaedon Case, Joshua Case, and Matthew Corrente, and the
- 2 outstanding leadership provided by Head Coach Matt Brannon; now, therefore be it
- 3 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby congratulates the
- 4 Cranston High School West Falcons combined Ice Hockey Team on winning the Rhode Island
- 5 High School Division II State Ice Hockey Championship; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
- 7 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Matt Brannon, Head Coach, Cranston High
- 8 School West Combined Ice Hockey Team.

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