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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

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JOINT RESOLUTION

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION OF \$300,000 FROM THE AMERICA RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR THE PORTSMOUTH HOUSING AUTHORITY (PHA)

Introduced By: Representatives Cortvriend, McGaw, Edwards, and Donovan

Date Introduced: February 18, 2022

Referred To: House Finance

1           WHEREAS, The funding provided under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)  
2 "provides a unique opportunity for state and local governments to make strategic investments in  
3 long-lived assets, rebuild reserves to enhance financial stability, and cover temporary operating  
4 shortfalls until economic conditions and operations normalize"; and

5           WHEREAS, Quaker Manor and Quaker Estates which are subsidized elderly/disabled  
6 housing are under the oversight authority of the Portsmouth Housing Authority (PHA); and

7           WHEREAS, The buildings, especially Quaker Manor which is now 53 years old, are in  
8 need of significant material improvement, most pressing being upgrade or repairs to the building  
9 complex heating systems; and

10           WHEREAS, The estimated cost to replace or refurbish the heating systems in the nine  
11 Quaker Manor and Quaker Estates buildings is three hundred thousand (\$300,000); now,  
12 therefore be it

13           RESOLVED, That there is hereby appropriated, out of any money from the American  
14 Rescue Plan Act in the treasury not otherwise appropriated for the fiscal year 2022-2023, the sum  
15 of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) to the Portsmouth Housing Authority (PHA) to  
16 make repairs to Quaker Manor and Quaker Estates; and the state controller is hereby authorized  
17 and directed to draw his orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of said sum, or so  
18 much thereof as may be from time to time required, upon receipt of properly authenticated

1 vouchers.

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EXPLANATION  
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- 1 This resolution would authorize the appropriation of the sum of \$300,000 to the
- 2 Portsmouth Housing Authority.

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