

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

HOUSE RESOLUTION

HONORING LORETTA L. MAGGS ON THE JOYOUS OCCASION OF HER 100TH BIRTHDAY

Introduced By: Representatives Filippi, Blazejewski, Ajello, and Hull

Date Introduced: March 03, 2022

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, The year 1922 was a time of great happenings in the United States.
2 President Warren G. Harding introduced the first radio in the White House, prohibition was in
3 effect, the Supreme court upheld women's right to vote, the Walt Disney Company was founded,
4 and Loretta L. Maggs was born on March 5, in New London, Connecticut; and

5 WHEREAS, As a young girl, Mrs. Maggs attended St. Michael's School where she
6 learned to speak English, as only French was spoken in her home. Her favorite childhood
7 memories include picking blueberries, and saving enough money to buy her first pair of roller
8 skates, after which she would spend hours roller-skating down Liberty Street hill; and

9 WHEREAS, For sixty-four wonderful years, Mrs. Maggs was married to the love of her
10 life, Albert Maggs and together raised a large and loving family of six children. In 1960, the
11 couple moved to Old Mill Road in Charlestown and over the years, were blessed with twelve
12 grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. Albert sadly passed in 2018; and

13 WHEREAS, In addition to making a wonderful home for her family, Mrs. Maggs was
14 employed at BDA in Ashaway for a number of years before becoming a fulltime homemaker.
15 She was an exceptional cook, preparing almost every meal from scratch, often made from
16 vegetables fresh from the family's garden. She is also quite well known for her famous
17 homemade donuts and fried dough. Later in life, she returned to work and was employed at
18 Arcada Microfilm and Yardney Electric, but her family has always remained her top priority; and

19 WHEREAS, In her leisure time, Mrs. Maggs enjoys reading, especially mysteries, and

1 watching and cheering on the Boston Red Sox and New England Patriots. She also likes watching
2 NASCAR racing as well as a good burger, hot dog, fish and chips, or a turkey club once in a
3 while, although she generally keeps to a very healthy diet, which has no doubt contributed to her
4 wonderful longevity; and

5 WHEREAS, Filled with a wisdom that can only be gained through life's joys and
6 tribulations, Mrs. Maggs' philosophy is simple, "she tries not to sweat the small stuff, and takes
7 things in stride." She is also a woman of faith, a hard worker, strong-willed, and blessed with the
8 loving support of family; and

9 WHEREAS, Over the last century, Loretta Maggs' wealth of knowledge, gentle spirit and
10 overall exuberance for life has blessed the lives of those around her, and we are happy to join in
11 the celebration of her 100th birthday and applaud her inspiring journey; now, therefore be it

12 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
13 joins the family and many friends of Loretta Maggs in wishing her a very happy 100th Birthday.
14 We moreover wish her good health and happiness for many years to come; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
16 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Loretta Maggs.

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