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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023**

**H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N**

**EXPRESSING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF VALRIE V. RANGLIN**

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Donovan, Fogarty,  
Chippendale, Cortvriend, O'Brien, Costantino, Spears, and Fellela

Date Introduced: January 05, 2023

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, It is with deep sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Valrie  
2 Ranglin. Born in Jamaica, West Indies, she was the daughter of the late Eric George Ranglin and  
3 Mavis Estriana Ranglin; and

4           WHEREAS, From an early age, Ms. Ranglin was taught the value of education from her  
5 parents. She was a precocious reader as a youngster who loved books and could read and write  
6 proficiently even before she entered pre-school; and

7           WHEREAS, Ms. Ranglin attended Bull Bay All Age School and Morant Bay High  
8 School where she excelled as a student. After High School, she attended Micro Teachers' College,  
9 graduating with high honors with a degree in Library Studies, and later attended the University of  
10 West Indies and earned a Bachelor's degree in Education; and

11           WHEREAS, Ms. Ranglin became one of the first youngsters from her neighborhood to  
12 attend high school or college and only the second person in her district to become a college  
13 trained teacher. Together with her brother Lloyd, she founded the Golden Dragon Youth Club, a  
14 community organization dedicated to serving children; and

15           WHEREAS, Valrie Ranglin began her distinguished public service career as a Library  
16 Assistant at the Supreme Court in Jamaica. Deciding that her calling was to serve as a teacher,  
17 she soon accepted a position with the Trinityville High School in St. Thomas, Jamaica, and later  
18 accepted a position with the Windward Road All Age School, followed by a position at  
19 Camperdown High School; and

20           WHEREAS, In 1970, Ms. Ranglin moved to Rhode Island, and worked at the Spiegel

1 Jewelry Factory in Providence. Shortly thereafter, she accepted a job with the Urban League of  
2 Rhode Island, teaching GED classes at the Welcome Arnold Shelter; and

3 WHEREAS, In 2006. Ms. Ranglin accepted a position with the Providence Public School  
4 System, teaching at the Roger Williams School, a position she held for fifteen years before  
5 moving on to teach at Central High School until her passing. As a teacher, she was highly  
6 respected and beloved by her peers, students and their parents. She was always willing to do more  
7 and accept additional responsibilities in order to further student growth. She was selected to serve  
8 as the New Teacher Ambassador at Central High School where she mentored new teachers, and  
9 also served as the Instructional Team Leader for the English Language Arts Department at  
10 Central High School; and

11 WHEREAS, Ms. Ranglin was a woman of deep faith and a devoted mother to her sons,  
12 Kadeem and Rexroy. She read the Bible to them daily and taught them to live their lives with  
13 dignity. She was also politically active and a Justice seeker for people not sharing in the bounty of  
14 American life; and

15 WHEREAS, Ms. Ranglin was also the proud grandmother of two granddaughters,  
16 Destiny and Genesis, and the beloved sister of Pearline, Lloyd, Burchell, the Honorable Marcia  
17 Ranglin-Vassell, Basil, Donovan, Desmond and Lisa; now, therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby  
19 extends its deepest condolences to the Ranglin Family on the passing of Valrie V. Ranglin; and  
20 be it further

21 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to send  
22 duly certified copies of this resolution to Kadeem Ranglin, Rexroy Ranglin, the Honorable  
23 Marcia Ranglin-Vassel, and Family.

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