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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING CLASSICAL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE AND BASEBALL STAR JEREMY PEÑA ON BEING NAMED THE MOST VALUABLE PLAYER OF THE 2022 WORLD SERIES

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Morales, Batista, Chippendale, Kislak, Kennedy, Edwards, Cortvriend, and Knight Date Introduced: January 19, 2023

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Jeremy Peña, a proud Classical High School graduate and former baseball 2 star at the University of Maine, made all Rhode Islanders proud when he led the Houston Astros 3 to victory over the Philadelphia Phillies in the World Series, becoming only the third rookie player in baseball history to be named World Series Most Valuable Player; and 4 5 WHEREAS, As a rookie shortstop with the Astros, Jeremy had an outstanding season in 2022, hitting 22 home runs, and becoming the first rookie in Major League Baseball history to 6 7 win the Gold Glove Award for outstanding fielding at the position of shortstop. Thanks in part to his powerful bat and stellar fielding at the shortstop position, the Astros compiled the best regular 8 9 season record in baseball winning an astounding 106 games; and 10 WHEREAS, Jeremy's outstanding play continued in the playoffs. In the first round, he 11 hit a home run helping to the lead the Astros to a sweep of the Seattle Mariners. In the 12 Championship Series, Jeremy became a star on the national scene, earning the American League 13 Championship MVP Award while leading the Astros to a sweep of the New York Yankees by 14 smashing two home runs, batting .353, and wowing observers with his smooth fielding and 15 extensive defensive range at the shortstop position; and WHEREAS, In the World Series, Jeremy's stellar play and hot bat continued as he batted 16 17 .400, with ten hits, and cracking another home run to lead the Astros to a 4-2 World Series 18 victory over the Phillies; and

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WHEREAS, Jeremy Peña is living proof that hard work, perseverance, and strong

character will lead to positive outcomes in life. His heroics on the biggest stage in baseball have
 made all Rhode Islanders proud and he is serving as a positive role model for all youngsters in
 Providence and across the State of Rhode Island; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
expresses its deepest congratulations to Jeremy Peña on winning the World Series Most Valuable
Player Award, and wishes him continued success in all future endeavors on and off the baseball
diamond; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Jeremy Peña.

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