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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

HOUSE RESOLUTION

COMMEMORATING APRIL 28, THROUGH MAY 4, 2024, AS "NATIONAL SMALL
BUSINESS WEEK" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Representatives McEntee, Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Chippendale,
Cortvriend, Carson, McGaw, Cotter, Craven, and Morales

Date Introduced: April 30, 2024

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, America's strongest economic growth in 60 years has been driven by the
2 resilience of our small businesses who, despite a world-wide pandemic, continued to pioneer
3 innovative solutions to our country's greatest challenges and create opportunities for families and
4 workers; and

5 WHEREAS, From the storefront shops that anchor Main Street to the high-tech startups
6 that keep America on the cutting edge to the small manufacturers driving our competitiveness on
7 the global stage, small businesses are the backbone of our economy and the cornerstones of our
8 nation's promise; and

9 WHEREAS, When small business is supported, jobs are created, and local communities
10 preserve their unique culture; and

11 WHEREAS, This country and our State cannot resolve to create jobs and spur economic
12 growth in America without discussing ways to support our entrepreneurs because this country's
13 33 million small businesses create nearly two out of three jobs in our economy; and

14 WHEREAS, The President of the United States has proclaimed National Small Business
15 Week every year since 1963 to highlight the programs and services available to entrepreneurs
16 through the U.S. Small Business Administration and other government agencies; now, therefore
17 be it

18 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
19 commemorates "National Small Business Week" on April 28 through May 4, 2024, in the State of

1 Rhode Island; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That this House hereby supports and joins in this national effort to help
3 America's small businesses do what they do best – grow their business, create jobs, and ensure
4 that our local communities remain as vibrant tomorrow as they are today; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
6 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Matthew L. Spoehr, Deputy District Director,
7 Rhode Island District Office – SBA.

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