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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING JENNIE JOHNSON ON BEING NAMED VICE PRESIDENT OF
WORKFORCE PARTNERSHIPS AT THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE OF RHODE ISLAND
AND THANKING HER FOR SIXTEEN YEARS OF DEDICATION AND DILIGENCE AS
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CITY YEAR PROVIDENCE

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Morales, Perez, Batista, Hull,
Alzate, Edwards, Kennedy, and Tanzi

Date Introduced: January 31, 2023

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Since 2006, Jennie Johnson has consistently devoted her considerable
2 talents, time and energies to advancing the mission of City Year. To the very good fortune of the
3 Community College of Rhode Island, on March 3, 2023, she will be leaving City Year to take on
4 the challenges of her new position as Vice President of Workforce Partnerships at the College;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson graduated from Warwick Vets High School and attended
7 CCRI, later earning her Bachelor's degree in marketing and psychology from Rhode Island
8 College. In 2018, prior to joining City Year, she worked as a Commissioner at the Rhode Island
9 Board of Elections and as a community director for the March of Dimes Rhode Island chapter;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Finding her perfect niche, Ms. Johnson joined City Year as Executive
12 Director and set out to take on the challenges of helping the community. Achieving multiple
13 successes and advancements during her tenure, she is credited with enhancing the organization's
14 reach through fundraising, shareholder engagement and strategic development, and with
15 expanding the footprint of AmeriCorps which is now able to support thousands of students, to
16 name but a few of her many accomplishments; and

17 WHEREAS, Widely-respected in the community and by her peers for her tremendous
18 work ethic, Ms. Johnson was honored with the "Women of Excellence" award from the Women's

1 Center of Rhode Island, was named as one of GoLocalProv’s “12 people who made a difference
2 in 2012”, and received the Providence Business News “People Under 40 Award”; and

3 WHEREAS, In her new position as Vice President of Workforce Development at her
4 alma mater, Ms. Johnson will be responsible for aligning “workforce training programs with
5 academic, industry and public sector needs, developing partnerships with businesses and
6 overseeing marketing strategies and outreach for increased enrollment”; and

7 WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson’s successes haven’t simply been the result of good fortune, but
8 have moreover been due to her immense talents, intellectual aptitude, and focus. She is a
9 paradigm of the very best leadership qualities and she is eminently worthy of our praise and
10 acknowledgement; now, therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby
12 thanks Jennie Johnson for her tireless work as Executive Director of City Year Providence and
13 moreover congratulates her on being named Vice President of Workforce Partnerships at the
14 Community College of Rhode Island. We wish her continued success, fulfillment, and good
15 health; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
17 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Ms. Jennie Johnson.

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