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**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

**IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2011**

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

**CONGRATULATING DANIELLE FERRARO OF WESTERLY FOR RECEIVING THE  
"MOST COURAGEOUS AWARD" FROM THE RHODE ISLAND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS  
BASKETBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION**

Introduced By: Representatives Azzinaro, and Kennedy

Date Introduced: March 24, 2011

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, Each year the Rhode Island High School Girls Basketball Coaches  
2 Association honors two young ladies with their "Most Courageous Award." This year, the  
3 coaches have chosen Danielle Ferraro of Westerly as one recipient; and

4           WHEREAS, Danielle is a courageous and determined young lady who has persevered  
5 and overcome very difficult obstacles at such a young age. She lost her mother after a long fight  
6 against cancer. She tore her ACL in her knee in the first minute of her first game her sophomore  
7 year, and had to miss the season. In her senior year, she injured her ankle in February and had to  
8 sit out Senior Night and the State Championship Playoffs. Despite all of this, she never gave up  
9 and never wallowed in self-pity; and

10           WHEREAS, Inspired by her mother's example of never quitting during her four battles  
11 against cancer, Danielle, despite her ACL injury, came to every game to cheer on the team and  
12 the following year was willing to play Junior Varsity. In her senior year she made the Varsity  
13 team, was chosen to be a team co-captain, and was playing great until she was sidelined by an  
14 ankle injury. Yet she still supported and inspired the team with her presence and the leadership  
15 she provided on a daily basis; and

16           WHEREAS, Danielle is a driven young lady who never lets an obstacle get in the way of  
17 achieving a goal. Her mother inspired her to never give up, her father gave her the love of  
18 competing in team sports, and her older sister and father have been by her side as she has thrived  
19 in the face of difficult circumstances. Danielle has also been a stellar student in the classroom,

1 carrying an astounding 3.97-weighted grade point average; now, therefore be it

2 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and  
3 Providence Plantations hereby congratulates Danielle Ferraro of Westerly for receiving the “Most  
4 Courageous Award” from the Rhode Island High School Girls Basketball Coaches Association;  
5 and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
7 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Danielle Ferraro.

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