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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

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

HONORING ROBERT DONOVAN ON MAY 3, 2018, FOR TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE RHODE ISLAND HEALTH AND EDUCATION BUILDING CORPORATION

Introduced By: Representatives Mattiello, Shekarchi, Ajello, Diaz, and Solomon

Date Introduced: May 03, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, Since May of 1993, Robert Donovan, Executive Director of the Rhode
2 Island Health and Education Building Corporation (RIHEBC), has devoted his considerable
3 talents and energy to improving the economic viability of programs and projects for Rhode
4 Island's municipalities, public school districts, and public and private nonprofit educational and
5 health care organizations for the past twenty-five years; and

6 WHEREAS, The mission of RIHEBC is to assist eligible borrowers in securing funding
7 for capital projects, especially tax-exempt debt financing and to provide borrowers with access to
8 high quality professional and technical resources, including staff expertise and assistance. In
9 2016, RIHEBC celebrated its 50th year anniversary; and

10 WHEREAS, Laying the foundation for his future accomplishments, Mr. Donovan earned
11 his Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Rhode Island, and his Master of
12 Business Administration (MBA) and Certificate of Advance Graduate Studies (CAGS), Finance,
13 from Bryant University; and

14 WHEREAS, In his capacity as Executive Director of RIHEBC, Mr. Donovan has
15 maintained responsibility for the operations of the state-designated issuer of tax-exempt bond
16 debt on behalf of private nonprofit health care and educational institutions; and

17 WHEREAS, In addition, Mr. Donovan oversees advocacy for the National Association of
18 Health and Educational Facilities Finance Authorities and has served as a member of the
19 Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities (ACT); and

1 WHEREAS, Highly regarded among his peers, in 2017, Mr. Donovan was presented with
2 the June Rockwell Levy Annual Public Health Service Award from WellOne Primary Medical
3 and Dental Care. He has also been honored with the John J. Cunningham Award, the Small
4 Business Advocate Award, and the Commissioner's Award; and

5 WHEREAS, Bob Donovan is eminently deserving of the leadership and trust he has been
6 afforded and has fully distinguished himself as a person worthy of our recognition and
7 admiration; now, therefore be it

8 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
9 Providence Plantations hereby thanks and honors Robert Donovan for twenty-five years of
10 dedicated service to the people of Rhode Island, and wishes him continued good health,
11 fulfillment and success; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
13 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mr. Robert Donovan.

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