

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

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HOUSE RESOLUTION

EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF ELENA MARIE  
CICCONE

Introduced By: Representatives Shekarchi, Blazejewski, Lima, Chippendale, Corvese,  
Kennedy, J. Lombardi, Cardillo, Hull, and Newberry

Date Introduced: June 11, 2024

Referred To: House read and passed

1           WHEREAS, It is with sadness that this House has learned of the passing of Elena Marie  
2 Ciccone, the devoted wife of Senator Frank A. Ciccone, III, and treasured mother of Carla, her  
3 love and joy, and Carla's husband, John Rose, with whom she enjoyed a great friendship and  
4 loved to spend time, texts, and attending Red Sox games; and

5           WHEREAS, Born in the City of Providence, Mrs. Ciccone was a daughter of the late  
6 Frank and Anna Bassi, the sister of Maria Lauro, and the late Frederick Bassi and William Bassi,  
7 and the loving aunt to many nieces and one nephew; and

8           WHEREAS, Mrs. Ciccone began working as a hairdresser at Caprice Beauty Salon after  
9 attending Angelo's Hair Design. Her hairdressing talents were soon bestowed on her mother,  
10 mother-in-law and aunts, as she was always at the ready to dispense a hair trim or an updo for any  
11 occasion. She subsequently attended Johnson & Wales and worked at Laurel Hill Avenue School  
12 before joining the City of Providence Parks Department, where she worked for twenty-five years  
13 and was a union member of LiUNA Local 1033; and

14           WHEREAS, In addition to making a warm and welcoming home for her family and  
15 many friends, Mrs. Ciccone was active in many organizations including as a member of The  
16 Italo-American Club, Piave Lodge #364 Order of Sons and Daughters of Italy, and Cranston Post  
17 8 Italian-American War Veterans Womens' Auxiliary. She was also deeply committed to her  
18 faith and a devoted parishioner at Saint Bartholomew Church; and

19           WHEREAS, With an infectious personality, Mrs. Ciccone loved to go out for a nice

1 dinner or to watch a basketball game with her friends, aptly named “the crew”. She also had a soft  
2 spot for canines, especially rescue dogs, which she often discussed with her daughter. She was  
3 always eager to meet a new one, and was the loving caretaker to all of the family’s dogs,  
4 including the family’s Rottweiler, Molly, and the recently passed, Rocco; and

5 WHEREAS, A women with lavish élan, “a passion for accessorizing” and shopping, and  
6 a talent for finding the perfect gift for those she loved, Mrs. Ciccone’s spitfire personality lit any  
7 room and filled the lives of those around her with exuberance and entertainment. She had a “heart  
8 of gold” and abundant generosity which she happily bestowed on her family and many friends  
9 and she is deeply and dearly missed by all; now, therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island hereby  
11 extends deepest sympathy to the bereaved family and friends of Elena Marie Ciccone; and be it  
12 further

13 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
14 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Frank A. Ciccone, III, and  
15 Family.

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