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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2016

SENATE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING LIEUTENANT JAMES E. TIERNAN ON HIS RETIREMENT FROM
THE WEST WARWICK POLICE DEPARTMENT AFTER TWENTY-TWO YEARS OF
DEVOTED AND DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF WEST WARWICK

Introduced By: Senators Satchell, and Gallo

Date Introduced: February 03, 2016

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, Lieutenant James E. Tiernan began his distinguished public service career
2 when he was appointed to the position of Police Officer in the Town of West Warwick in 1994.
3 He began his service in the Patrol Division and he steadily rose through the ranks as his attention
4 to detail and tireless work ethic were noticed by his superiors. He was promoted to Sergeant on
5 February 15, 2000, and served in the Patrol Division and the Detective Division until he was
6 promoted to Lieutenant on June 1, 2011; and

7 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Tiernan formerly served as a department and police academy
8 defensive tactics instructor, field training officer, and program coordinator. He was also a long-
9 time member of the SWAT Team and served as a Team Commander for more than four years.
10 Additionally, he was a member of the honor guard and served as a department firearms instructor;
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12 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Tiernan's last assignment with the West Warwick Police
13 Department was as a supervisor of the 8am to 4pm shift. He has been recognized by the
14 department for his exemplary police work many times and has received numerous
15 commendations, including First and Second Class Citations, and was the recipient of the
16 department's Distinguished Service Award in 2001. Lieutenant Tiernan also attained a Bachelor
17 of Arts degree in Justice Studies from Rhode Island College in 1997; now, therefore be it

18 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
19 hereby congratulates Lieutenant James E. Tiernan on his retirement from the West Warwick

1 Police Department after twenty-two years of devoted and meritorious service to the citizens of
2 West Warwick. We wish him a most happy retirement and continued success in all his future
3 endeavors; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Lieutenant James E. Tiernan.

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