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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

SENATE RESOLUTION

WELCOMING RUI MANUEL PARENTE CHANCERELLE DE MACHETE TO THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators DaPonte, Connors, Algiere, Paiva-Weed, and Miller

Date Introduced: March 03, 2010

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

WHEREAS, Born on April 7, 1940, in Setúbal, Portugal, Rui Manuel Parente 1 2 Chancerelle de Machete is a well-respected citizen of Portugal. He is an accomplished attorney, 3 humanitarian, advocate, author, and professor; and WHEREAS, Rui has a law degree from the University of Lisbon. He received the 4 Calouste Gulbenkian Award for Historical and Juridical Science in 1960. In 1962, he won the 5 same award for Economic and Political Science. Rui has been a practicing attorney since 1964; 6 7 and 8 WHEREAS, He was a professor at the Schools of Social Studies, Labor, and Corporate 9 Studies. He taught Constitutional Law, Administrative Law, and Political Science at the 10 University of Lisbon Law School. Currently, Rui is a professor at the Universidade Católica, 11 teaching Administrative Law and Procedure; and 12 WHEREAS, Rui served as Editor in Chief to the Povo Livre Newspaper. He is a 13 founding member of SEDES, a civic organization in Portugal. Rui is also a founding member of the Oliveira Martins Foundation and is a Chairman of the Board of Directors; and 14 15 WHEREAS, Rui has always taken an active role in government. He was the Secretary of State for Emigration in 1975, and was a Minister of Social Affairs from 1976 to 1979 in the Sixth 16 Provisional Government. Rui was also a Minister of Justice, Deputy Prime Minister, and 17 Minister of Defense in the Ninth Constitutional Government between 1983 and 1985; and 18

WHEREAS, Rui has been an advocate for the Portuguese-American Citizenship Project

- 1 for voter registration. He has supported many foundations including the Portuguese American
- 2 Scholarship Foundation, Heritage Harbor Museum, Rhode Island Historical Society, and Roger
- 3 Williams School of Law, to name a few; and
- 4 WHEREAS, As an author, Rui has published several articles and books; and
- 5 WHEREAS, We are pleased to have Rui Manuel Parente Chancerelle de Machete join us
- in the Senate today; now, therefore be it 6
- 7 RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
- hereby extends a hearty welcome to Rui Manuel Parente Chancerelle de Machete; and be it 8
- 9 further
- 10 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
- 11 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Rui Manuel Parente Chancerelle de Machete.

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