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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

SENATE RESOLUTION

DECLARING TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2014, AS "NO MORE DAY" IN THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

<u>Introduced By:</u> Senator Maryellen Goodwin <u>Date Introduced:</u> March 11, 2014 <u>Referred To:</u> Recommended for Immediate Consideration

| 1 | WHEREAS, The State of Rhode Island is home to an estimated 205,000 victims, both |
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| 2 | male and female, who, during their lifetimes, experience rape, physical violence, and/or stalking |
| 3 | by an intimate partner; and |
| 4 | WHEREAS, Domestic violence in Rhode Island poses a major public health crisis, not |
| 5 | only for the significant others who fall victim to these horrific acts, but also for the children who |
| 6 | suffer through the experience; and |
| 7 | WHEREAS, In 2011, Rhode Island police officers responded to 7,883 domestic violence |
| 8 | related calls, and children were present in almost 2,100 of these incidents; and |
| 9 | WHEREAS, All too often, there are many more of these heinous crimes that don't get |
| 10 | reported because of victims' fear, a threat from the guilty spouse, or, in some cases, because of |
| 11 | death resulting from the crime; and |
| 12 | WHEREAS, "NO MORE Day" serves as a symbol of commitment to ending domestic |
| 13 | violence and sexual assault in Rhode Island and across the nation; and |
| 14 | WHEREAS, "NO MORE Day" will also serve as a national symbol to bring awareness to |
| 15 | issues of domestic violence and sexual assault that all too often get overlooked; now, therefore be |
| 16 | it |
| 17 | RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations |
| 18 | hereby recognizes March 11, 2014, as "NO MORE Day," a day that will be known as the nation's |
| 19 | call to end domestic violence and sexual assault; and be it further |

- RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
 submit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Rhode Island Coalition Against Domestic
- 3 Violence.

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