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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2010

SENATE RESOLUTION

DESIGNATING APRIL, 2010, AS "FINANCIAL LITERACY MONTH" IN THE STATE OF
RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators DaPonte, Felag, Gallo, Jabour, and Raptakis

Date Introduced: April 06, 2010

Referred To: Senate read and passed

1 WHEREAS, During these globally difficult economic times, we have to understand the
2 importance of wise fiscal management, and Rhode Islanders of all races, ages, genders, and socio-
3 economic groups seek to improve their personal family finances by developing the basic financial
4 skills needed to create and maintain a budget, to understand credit, loans, banking, investments,
5 and retirement plans, and to take advantage of the financial opportunities and assess the risks
6 connected with each; and

7 WHEREAS, The financial well-being of individual Rhode Island citizens is linked to our
8 State's and Nation's economic health; and

9 WHEREAS, Personal financial literacy is linked to individual financial well-being; and

10 WHEREAS, Personal financial literacy education involves active engagement on the part
11 of individual citizens and family units in an ongoing and evolving process; and

12 WHEREAS, Governments, private businesses, community-based organizations, and
13 institutions of education are stakeholders in the pursuit of increased personal financial literacy,
14 and by working together, such entities can help consumers make informed decisions about their
15 finances; and

16 WHEREAS, The personal financial education of all citizens, especially youth and other
17 vulnerable populations, will improve the quality of their lives, will provide them with the
18 necessary skills for success, and will contribute to making positive changes for the communities
19 in which they live and work; and

1 WHEREAS, Public and private partnerships, such as the Rhode Island Jump\$art
2 Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy, seek to improve the personal financial literacy of all
3 Rhode Islanders by promoting educational initiatives throughout our state; now, therefore be it

4 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
5 hereby proclaims April 2010 to be “Financial Literacy Month.” We urge all Rhode Islanders to
6 take advantage of various programs and activities that will increase their personal financial
7 literacy both during the month of April and throughout the year; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
9 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Rhode Island Jump\$art Coalition.

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