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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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RELATING TO GENERAL ASSEMBLY - RENAMING OF THE WALLUM LAKE
BUILDING LOCATED AT THE ELEANOR SLATER HOSPITAL/ZAMBARANO UNIT

Introduced By: Senators P Fogarty, Paiva Weed, Ruggerio, Goodwin, and Gallo

Date Introduced: March 21, 2012

Referred To: Senate Special Legislation and Veterans Affairs

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Legislative findings.

2 The general assembly hereby finds that:

3 (1) Since 1905, the Eleanor Slater Hospital/Zambarano Unit 119 has been serving the
4 citizens of the state of Rhode Island providing crucial health care for many Rhode Islanders; and

5 (2) In recent years, this excellent facility has delivered outstanding health care services to
6 those Rhode Islanders who are in the greatest need, including geriatric patients, patients with
7 developmental disabilities, patients with Alzheimer's disease, and those with spinal cord injuries;
8 and

9 (3) Eleanor Slater Hospital/Zambarano Unit serves as an optimal model for all long-term
10 care facilities; and

11 (4) For over thirty (30) years the patients have been involved in an organized group,
12 "Patients for Progress." Led by its president, Frank Beazley, the group is dedicated to promoting
13 superior care for all individuals at our state hospitals; and

14 (5) It is most desirous to recognize and memorialize the outstanding work of Mr. Frank
15 Beazley who for over forty-five (45) years has worked tirelessly to ensure continuous quality of
16 care for all patients, and who has been and continues to be a tireless voice for the voiceless; and

17 (6) Frank Beazley's efforts have resulted in a better quality of life for Eleanor Slater
18 Hospital/Zambarano Unit residents that have included the rights of patients to access the

1 community on a regular basis, to wear street clothes, to have longer hours out of bed, to have
2 cable television in their rooms and to maintain RIPTA bus service to Zambarano when service
3 cuts were threatened. These are but a few of the many accomplishments of this most remarkable
4 individual that merit recognition; and

5 (7) Frank Beazley has made and continues to make extraordinary contributions
6 improving the quality of life for both current patients and future generations of residents at
7 Zambarano; and

8 (8) The general assembly, wishing to memorialize Frank Beazley's over forty (40) years
9 of selfless commitment to ensuring quality care at our state's long-term care facilities, does
10 hereby name the Wallum Lake Building located at 2090 Wallum Lake Road on the campus of the
11 Eleanor Slater Hospital/Zambarano Unit in the town of Pascoag "The Frank Beazley Building".

12 SECTION 2. Chapter 22-7.4 of the General Laws entitled "Permanent Joint Committee
13 on Naming All New Buildings, Bridges, Edifices and Other State Constructions" is hereby
14 amended by adding thereto the following section:

15 **22-7.4-118. The Frank Beazley Building. --** The Wallum Lake Building located at 2090
16 Wallum Lake Road on the campus of the Eleanor Slater Hospital/Zambarano Unit, in the town of
17 Pascoag shall hereafter be named and known as "The Frank Beazley Building".

18 SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
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