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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

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SENATE RESOLUTION

THANKING AND CONGRATULATING THE HONORABLE DONALD J. TRUMP FOR HIS  
ROLE IN SECURING THE RELEASE OF THREE AMERICAN DETAINEES FROM NORTH  
KOREA

Introduced By: Senator Elaine J. Morgan

Date Introduced: May 15, 2018

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, On May 9, 2018, Americans received the good news that three American  
2 citizens being detained in North Korea, Kim Dong-chul, Tony Kim, also known as Kim Sang-  
3 duk, and Kim Hak-song, were being released thanks to months of encouraging diplomacy  
4 conducted by President Trump and his Secretary of State Mike Pompeo; and

5           WHEREAS, Kim Dong-chul, a businessman, was arrested in October of 2015 and  
6 sentenced to ten years of hard labor after being accused of spying. Tony Kim was teaching at  
7 Pyongyang University of Science and Technology, when he was arrested and detained in April of  
8 2017. Kim Hak-song was a volunteer at Pyongyang University of Science and Technology when  
9 he was arrested and detained in May of 2017; and

10           WHEREAS, Thanks to the diplomatic breakthroughs that have occurred this year  
11 between the United States and North Korea, accomplished in large part due to the innovative  
12 approach to diplomacy conducted by President Trump, three American prisoners now have their  
13 freedom again and there is great hope for lasting peace on the Korean Peninsula; now, therefore  
14 be it

15           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
16 hereby thanks and congratulates President Trump for his role in securing the release of three  
17 detainees from North Korea; and be it further

18           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to  
19 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Donald J. Trump, President of

1 the United States.

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