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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

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SENATE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS OF URI, NE ALLIANCE, AND  
HOSPICES OF HOPE ROMANIA FOR THEIR MYRIAD CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE  
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND THE WORLD COMMUNITY

Introduced By: Senators Lanzi, Paiva Weed, Felag, Miller, and Pichardo

Date Introduced: April 25, 2012

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1           WHEREAS, Hospices of Hope Romania (HOH) was founded in 1991 to provide  
2 palliative care and improve the quality of life for the terminally ill and their families in Romania  
3 and surrounding countries. Their efforts have earned praise and recognition not only from the  
4 medical community, but also from the world community for providing excellence in patient care,  
5 support and financing for hospice, homecare, and hospitals, and for pursuing and supporting  
6 multicultural educational partnerships; and

7           WHEREAS, The University of Rhode Island, the New England Alliance for Hospices of  
8 Hope – Romania (NE Alliance), and the Hospices of Hope Romania, have joined forces in a  
9 humanitarian and educational effort that has produced significant and measurable increases in the  
10 standard of care for people in Romania and around the world; and

11           WHEREAS, The University of Rhode Island has supported and promoted training, cross  
12 cultural multidisciplinary teleconferences, and various collaborative research and publications  
13 between the university's faculty and students and their counterparts in Romania involved in  
14 palliative care; and

15           WHEREAS, The NE Alliance has participated as faculty in symposiums in Romania,  
16 introduced teleconferencing with Romanian nurses, developed an international partnership model,  
17 raised funds for professional development, provided educational resources, and established an on-  
18 going mentorship model in their efforts to enhance and advance hospice nursing practices in  
19 Romania; and

1           WHEREAS, Mohandas Gandhi once stated, “You must be the change you wish to see  
2 in the world.” The relationship among URI, the NE Alliance, and the HOH has established an  
3 exemplary model of how collaboration can be a catalyst that overcomes language, cultural, and  
4 governmental barriers, and serves not only as an example for others to emulate, but also as a  
5 beacon of hope to those in need; now, therefore be it

6           RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations  
7 hereby recognizes and honors the University of Rhode Island, the NE Alliance, and the Hospices  
8 of Hope Romania for their outstanding collaboration and contributions; and be it further

9           RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to  
10 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to the University of Rhode Island, the NE  
11 Alliance, and the Hospices of Hope Romania.

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