

2012 -- S 2953

=====
LC02620
=====

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2012

SENATE RESOLUTION

CELEBRATING MAY 13TH - 19TH, 2012, AS "NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK" IN
THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senator Frank A. DeVall

Date Introduced: May 10, 2012

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, The citizens of Rhode Island now residing in nursing homes have
2 contributed immeasurably to the heritage, success, and growth of our communities; and

3 WHEREAS, Residents of nursing homes include the elderly and young adults with
4 physical or mental disabilities who require physical, occupational, and other rehabilitative
5 therapies following an accident or illness; and

6 WHEREAS, Nursing home residents of any age or ability are often living history and
7 always a precious resource; and

8 WHEREAS, The decision to put a loved one into a nursing home is often difficult. The
9 hope is to find a tranquil place, operated by caring and well-trained staff members, who assist
10 residents in their recuperation or in receiving the type of extra care that their families cannot
11 provide; and

12 WHEREAS, Guided by this year's national theme of "Celebrating the Journey," member
13 nursing homes of the American Health Care Association and the Rhode Island Health Care
14 Association are holding events across the state in observance of Nursing Home Week; and

15 WHEREAS, This year's "Nursing Home Week" begins on Mother's Day, May 13th, and
16 concludes on May 19th; now, therefore be it

17 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
18 hereby celebrates May 13th – 19th, 2012, as National Nursing Home Week. We urge all the
19 citizens of our state to honor elderly and disabled residents of nursing homes by visiting or

1 volunteering at a local nursing home in order to endow the residents with community spirit and to
2 show appreciation to the staff who care for our beloved citizens on our behalf; and be it further
3 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
4 transmit duly certified copies of this resolution to Joan Woods, Chair of the Rhode Island Health
5 Care Association, and Danielle Sylvestre, Activities Director for Waterview Villa.

=====
LC02620
=====