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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

SENATE RESOLUTION

PROCLAIMING SEPTEMBER 25, 2014, TO BE "ATAXIA AWARENESS DAY" IN THE
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Ottiano, Bates, Algieri, Felag, and Sosnowski

Date Introduced: June 12, 2014

Referred To: Placed on the Senate Consent Calendar

1 WHEREAS, Ataxia is a rare, progressive disorder of the nervous system affecting
2 balance and coordination; and

3 WHEREAS, An estimated 150,000 individuals are affected by hereditary and sporadic
4 ataxia in the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, Ataxia is an often fatal degenerative neurological disorder that affects
6 balance, coordination and speech; and

7 WHEREAS, Ataxia can strike anyone at any time, without regard to age, gender, race or
8 creed; and

9 WHEREAS, There is no known cure for Ataxia. The only defense is research and
10 prevention through education; now, therefore be it

11 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
12 hereby proclaims September 25, 2014, to be "Ataxia Awareness Day" in the State of Rhode
13 Island; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
15 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Anabela Azevedo, Rhode Island Ataxia
16 Support Group Leader.

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