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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2024

SENATE RESOLUTION

EXTENDING DEEPEST CONDOLENCES ON THE PASSING OF ELENA MARIE
CICCONE

Introduced By: Senator Dominick J. Ruggiero

Date Introduced: June 12, 2024

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, It is with sadness that this Senate has learned of the passing of Elena Marie
2 Ciccone, the devoted wife of Senator Frank A. Ciccone, III, and treasured mother of Carla, her
3 love and joy, and Carla's husband, John Rose, with whom she enjoyed a great friendship and
4 loved to spend time, texts, and attending Red Sox games; and

5 WHEREAS, Born in the City of Providence, Mrs. Ciccone was a daughter of the late
6 Frank and Anna Bassi, the sister of Maria Lauro, and the late Frederick Bassi and William Bassi,
7 and the loving aunt to many nieces and one nephew; and

8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Ciccone began working as a hairdresser at Caprice Beauty Salon after
9 attending Angelo's Hair Design. Her hairdressing talents were soon bestowed on her mother,
10 mother-in-law and aunts, as she was always at the ready to dispense a hair trim or an updo for any
11 occasion. She subsequently attended Johnson & Wales and worked at Laurel Hill Avenue School
12 before joining the City of Providence Parks Department, where she worked for twenty-five years
13 and was a union member of LiUNA Local 1033; and

14 WHEREAS, In addition to making a warm and welcoming home for her family and
15 many friends, Mrs. Ciccone was active in many organizations including as a member of The
16 Italo-American Club, Piave Lodge #364 Order of Sons and Daughters of Italy, and Cranston Post
17 8 Italian-American War Veterans Womens' Auxiliary. She was also deeply committed to her
18 faith and a devoted parishioner at Saint Bartholomew Church; and

19 WHEREAS, With an infectious personality, Mrs. Ciccone loved to go out for a nice

1 dinner or to watch a basketball game with her friends, aptly named “the crew”. She also had a soft
2 spot for canines, especially rescue dogs, which she often discussed with her daughter. She was
3 always eager to meet a new one, and was the loving caretaker to all of the family’s dogs,
4 including the family’s Rottweiler, Molly, and the recently passed, Rocco; and

5 WHEREAS, A women with lavish élan, “a passion for accessorizing” and shopping, and
6 a talent for finding the perfect gift for those she loved, Mrs. Ciccone’s spitfire personality lit any
7 room and filled the lives of those around her with exuberance and entertainment. She had a “heart
8 of gold” and abundant generosity which she happily bestowed on her family and many friends
9 and she is deeply and dearly missed by all; now, therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island hereby extends deepest
11 sympathy to the bereaved family and friends of Elena Marie Ciccone; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
13 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to the Honorable Frank A. Ciccone, III, and
14 Family.

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