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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

H O U S E R E S O L U T I O N

**HONORING REPRESENTATIVE JOY HEARN FOR HER SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF
THE STATE OF RHODE ISLAND**

Introduced By: Representatives Mattiello, Shekarchi, Knight, Ajello, and Kazarian

Date Introduced: June 21, 2018

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, To the immense good fortune of the people of Barrington and East
2 Providence, Joy Hearn chose a life path that would eventually lead to a vocation in public service.
3 On November 4th of 2008, she was elected to the Rhode Island House of Representatives,
4 representing District 66; and

5 WHEREAS, Over the past decade, Representative Hearn has lent her expertise and
6 unique insights to myriad legislative committees. Most recently, she is a member of the House
7 Committee on Finance and the House Committee on Municipal Government; and

8 WHEREAS, As a strong voice on education, Representative Hearn has been instrumental
9 in enacting legislation that allocated funds for full-day kindergarten, supported the creation and
10 execution of the state's education funding formula, and is Co-Chair of the Special Legislative
11 Commission to Study the Purchase of Textbooks in Public Schools. In addition, she has been a
12 driving force behind campaign finance reform, sponsored numerous pro-business initiatives and
13 worked tirelessly on the Long Term Care Act, which provides greater protections for residents of
14 nursing homes; and

15 WHEREAS, Representative Hearn's commitment to the community includes
16 membership on numerous local organizations including being a Board member of TAP IN., a
17 member of Barrington Congregational Church, a member of the Coast Guard Auxiliary, and the
18 past President of the Barrington Education Foundation; and

19 WHEREAS, Representative Hearn is a graduate of Barrington public schools and

1 attained her Bachelor of Arts' degree from the State University of New York at Geneseo. She is
2 married to Frank Hearn and together they have two children, Sam and Hannah; and

3 WHEREAS, Currently, Representative Hearn is a library assistant at Barrington High
4 School. She had previously served as a transportation planner for the Executive Office of
5 Transportation and Construction in Massachusetts; and

6 WHEREAS, Representative Hearn's abiding leadership and outstanding services on
7 behalf of the citizens of Rhode Island will long be praised, and we know that in all her future
8 endeavors, she will continue to provide strong advocacy for all Rhode Islanders; now, therefore
9 be it

10 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
11 Providence Plantations hereby joins the family and many friends of Representative Joy Hearn in
12 recognizing and celebrating her inspirational career of service to the people of Rhode Island. We
13 moreover, wish her continued success, happiness and fulfillment; 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 the Honorable Joy Hearn.

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