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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2011

SENATE RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING AND CONGRATULATING MRS. JUDY TRAVIS FOR MYRIAD CONTRIBUTIONS AS FACILITATOR OF THE ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER'S SUPPORT GROUP IN PORTSMOUTH, RHODE ISLAND

Introduced By: Senators Paiva Weed, Ottiano, and DeVall

Date Introduced: May 05, 2011

Referred To: Recommended for Immediate Consideration

1 WHEREAS, Mrs. Judy Travis, an outstanding member of the Aquidneck Island 2 community, has devoted twenty years of service as a facilitator for the Alzheimer's Caregiver's 3 Support Group in Portsmouth, Rhode Island; and 4 WHEREAS, There is no one approach to caregiving. The caregiver's responsibilities can 5 range from making financial decisions, to managing changes in behavior, to helping a loved one 6 get dressed in the morning; and 7 WHEREAS, From week to week, people with Alzheimer's disease progress, digress, react, and require varying forms and levels of assistance from their caregivers and handling these 8 9 duties is often times both emotionally and physically difficult and stressful; and 10 WHEREAS, Supporting and preserving the well-being of these dedicated caregivers is 11 where Judy Travis excels. Whether offering knowledge, advice, a sympathetic ear, or simply a 12 shoulder to lean on, Judy's Alzheimer's Caregiver's Support Group is there with an open heart and 13 open arms; and 14 WHEREAS, The group is comprised of more than thirty caregivers, and new people join 15 nearly every week. It has long been Judy's belief that because of the rapid and constant changes 16 facing caregivers, they often need each other's support, so the group meets each and every week, 17 the only group in the Rhode Island area to do so; and

WHEREAS, Over the last two decades, Judy Travis has devoted her amazing talents and

energy as facilitator of the Alzheimer's Caregiver's Support Group and she has distinguished

- 1 herself as a person worthy of our utmost admiration and gratitude; now, therefore be it
- 2 RESOLVED, That this Senate of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations
- 3 hereby congratulates and thanks Judy Travis for her outstanding contributions as facilitator of the
- 4 Alzheimer's Caregiver's Support Group. We furthermore wish her continued health and
- 5 happiness; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and he hereby is authorized and directed to
- 7 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Judy Travis.

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