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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2015

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

**EXPRESSING CONDOLENCES TO THE DUFFY FAMILY ON THE PASSING OF GEORGE
PATRICK DUFFY**

Introduced By: Representatives Johnston, Barros, Messier, and Tobon

Date Introduced: May 26, 2015

Referred To: House read and passed

1 WHEREAS, George Patrick Duffy of Pawtucket, Rhode Island, passed away at the age of
2 94 on Saturday, May 23, 2015. He was the loving husband of Helen F. Duffy for 71 years; and

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Duffy was the son of the late Frederick and Emma Duffy. He served our
4 nation with honor, courage, and valor during World War II, as a member of the United States
5 Coast Guard. He was one of the survivors when the ship he was serving aboard was torpedoed by
6 a German U-Boat in the Mediterranean Sea; and

7 WHEREAS, Mr. Duffy had a long, varied and very successful career within the
8 Pawtucket and State of Rhode Island sports' communities. He was the beloved voice of the Rhode
9 Island Reds Hockey team, where he served as publicist and broadcaster. He also served as a youth
10 baseball coach for many years. He led the Pawtucket Little League All-Stars to the 1980 Little
11 League World Series, and was a coach and life-long mentor to Chris Iannetta, starting catcher for
12 the Los Angeles Angels. Mr. Duffy was also the Commissioner of the Pawtucket Boys and Girls
13 Club's baseball program and also volunteered in numerous capacities for many years. He was
14 inducted as a member of the Boys and Girls Club of Pawtucket's Hall of Fame, and the City of
15 Pawtucket's Hall of Fame; and

16 WHEREAS, Besides his wife Helen, he is survived by his children, Maureen Delmonico
17 and her husband, Henry, Kathleen P. Sheldon and her husband, Ralph, Sheila Duffy Lapati and
18 her husband, Edmund, and George Patrick Duffy, Jr., and his wife, Maryann. He also leaves
19 behind 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; now, therefore be it

1 RESOLVED, That this House of Representatives of the State of Rhode Island and
2 Providence Plantations hereby expresses its condolences to the Duffy Family on the passing of
3 George Patrick Duffy; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State be and hereby is authorized and directed to
5 transmit a duly certified copy of this resolution to Mrs. Helen F. Duffy and Family.

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