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## **Gubernatorial Proclamation Presented to RI Credit Union Execs during State House Gathering**

**Jan. 17, 2017** (Marlborough, MA)—The Cooperative Credit Union Association (CCUA), serving credit unions in Rhode Island and three other states, marked Rhode Island Governmental Affairs Day recently with a gathering of more than 50 credit union CEOs and 15 lawmakers and legislative aids.

CCUA President Paul Gentile kicked off the State House affair, calling on Gary Furtado, chairman of CCUA's RI Advocacy Committee and president/CEO of Navigant Credit Union, to thank his peers for their continued commitment to the state and its communities.

Several ranking lawmakers addressed attendees; notably, House Majority Leader K. Joseph Shekarchi, General Treasurer Seth Magaziner, Lt. Governor Daniel McKee, Secretary of State Nellie Gorbea, Attorney General Peter Kilmartin, and Department of Business Regulation Director Scottye Lindsey and staff members.

Magaziner expressed his appreciation to credit union leaders for the service and value their institutions provide to RI citizens, a message McKee and Shekarchi repeated and underscored.

Among the dividends RI credit unions provide their communities are:

- Consumer savings of more than \$29 million per year in direct financial benefits through their business with local credit unions.
- More than \$55 million in employment wages to approximately 946 full-time and 83 part-time credit union workers.

### **About the Cooperative Credit Union Association**

The Cooperative Credit Union Association in Marlborough, Mass., promotes the interests of nearly 200 credit unions located throughout Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and

Delaware. CCUA is, first and foremost, an advocate for its members before Congress and state legislatures, regulatory bodies and the public. In addition, it provides an array of services, including educational programs, workshops and conferences; a daily e-briefing on all the latest news and issues facing credit unions; and, through its CU Connect program—a select group of service providers—and a number of system partners, works to advance the availability of their quality products and services to its members. For more information, visit [CCUA](#).

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**L-R: Rhode Island Lt. Governor Daniel McKee; Navigant Credit Union CEO Gary Furtado; RI Department of Business Regulation Director Scottye Lindsey; Cooperative Credit Union Association President/CEO Paul Gentile; RI Attorney General Peter Kilmartin.**