Dear Chair Karen Alzate, House Special Legislation Committee,

I support House Bill 5887 to change the name of the holiday on the second Monday of August from Victory Day to Peace and Remembrance Day. The end of World War II is almost 80 years behind us. Japan is now a close friend and ally of the United States. Rhode Island is the only state in the United States that observes a state holiday to commemorate the end of World War II with the surrender of Japan. So, it is time to make a positive change focusing more on peace and the need to prevent nuclear war.

Please lend your leadership to this important issue. William Waters 157 Pleasant Street East Providence