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## 1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to 3 learn of the death of Penny Miller of Sarasota, Florida, 4 formerly of Evanston, who passed away on July 13, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Penny Miller was born in Millerville, Minnesota to Roman and Crescentia (Wilken) Miller in 1943; she graduated from Waukegan Township High School; she attended Loyola University in Rome, Italy and graduated from Marquette University; she received her master's degree from Northern Illinois University; and

WHEREAS, Penny Miller was a dedicated teacher and mentor during her 36-year teaching career at West Elementary and Washington Elementary Schools in Waukegan; she served as a Union Representative and earned a Teacher of the Year Award; she was a member of the Lake County Retired Teachers Association and the Illinois Retired Teachers Association; and

WHEREAS, Penny Miller was active in several organizations, including the Evanston Housing Commission, the Southeast Evanston Association, and the Evanston Property Owners Association; in the early 1980s, she and Ashraf received an Evanston Preservation Award for the rehabilitation of a condemned house; a proud feminist, she was a founding member of

- 1 the Waukegan Chapter of the National Organization for Women;
- 2 she was also a member of the Jane Collective in the early
- 3 1970s; she enjoyed traveling, learning, reading, trying to
- 4 golf, retirement, her family, and her friends, especially the
- 5 Grapes; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Penny Miller was preceded in death by her parents;
- 7 and
- 8 WHEREAS, Penny Miller is survived by her partner, Richard
- 9 Hershman; her brothers, Michael (Patricia Berry) Miller and
- Jonathan Miller; her nieces and nephews, Stacy Mahoney, Nicole
- 11 Miller, and Ed Stevenson; her great-nieces and great-nephews,
- 12 Lily, Susie, and Margee Mahoney and Brendon, Alex, Nate, and
- 13 Carly Crescentia Stevenson; her former husband, Ashraf Manji;
- and many friends and relatives; therefore, be it
- 15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
- ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
- 17 Penny Miller and extend our sincere condolences to her family,
- friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it further
- 19 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
- 20 presented to the family of Penny Miller as an expression of our
- 21 deepest sympathy.