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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Nancy Ann Neumiller of Peoria, who passed away on March 14, 2017; and

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WHEREAS, Nancy Neumiller was born in Smith Center, Kansas to James Roger and Irene Louise (Johnson) Coolidge on April 24, 1931; she grew up during the Dustbowl and the Great Depression in Kansas and later moved to Estes Park, Colorado; she learned the family business and managed the front-end of Coolidge's Restaurant in Estes Park for 13 summers; and

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WHEREAS, Nancy Neumiller graduated from Westport High School in Kansas City, Missouri and attended the University of Kansas, the University of Colorado, and the University of Chicago; she graduated with her Bachelor of Arts in Education from The School of the Art Institute of Chicago in 1960; she came to Peoria to be an art teacher at Richwoods Community High School; she later went on to teach at Saint Paul's Episcopal School in Peoria; she married Charles "Dick" Neumiller at First Federated Church in Peoria on June 6, 1961; and

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WHEREAS, Nancy Neumiller was a dedicated volunteer and supporter of her adopted hometown; she served as a board member on the Museum Society Board and the Glen Oak Museum, where she

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1 created new displays of historic artifacts at the then-new
2 museum at Lakeview Center for the Arts and Science in Peoria;
3 she served on the board and was a member of the Fine Arts
4 Society from 1966 to 1970 and 1991 to 2005; she had been with
5 the Central Illinois Landmark Foundation since 1975, where she
6 continued restoration of the Grand Army of the Republic Hall;
7 she was an officer and member of the Peoria Chapter of the
8 Daughters of the American Revolution, the Colonial Danes XVII
9 Century, the Peoria Area Alumnae Panhellenic, where she was the
10 President for the Chi Omega Alumnae, the Peoria Stitchers
11 Guild, and the New England Historical Society in Boston,
12 Massachusetts; she was involved in the John C. Flanagan House
13 Steering Committee at Peoria High School since 1985; she was a
14 guide for the John C. Flanagan House for 15 years and was the
15 founder and a Chairman for their major fall event,
16 "Kettledrum", from 1985 to 1993; she served on the board of the
17 Peoria Historical Society from 1974 to 1978 and was a guide for
18 their bus tours for 15 years; and

19 WHEREAS, In 1989, Nancy Neumiller was involved in the
20 organizing committee for the 1691 Foundation Area
21 Tricentennial; from 1990 to 1991, she developed the characters
22 for the tricentennial for the History and Research Committee;
23 she conceived, organized, and developed the Peoria Area
24 Tricentennial Wall Hanging; from 1991 to 1992, she designed and
25 constructed the Tricentennial Wall Hanging with 31 Stitchers

1 Guild Members, which was unveiled on September 11, 1992; in
2 1993, she organized a new committee for the moving and the
3 displaying of the Tricentennial Wall Hanging; she was appointed
4 by Mayor Maloof to the Peoria Historic Preservation Commission
5 for eight years; and

6 WHEREAS, Nancy Neumiller was preceded in death by her
7 parents; her husband, Dick; and her oldest sister, Dede; and

8 WHEREAS, Nancy Neumiller is survived by her children, Jane
9 (Marcus) Neumiller-Bustad, Roger (Valentina) Neumiller, and
10 Kate (Bill) Schureman, and her grandchildren, Sara, Kristina,
11 Melody, Victoria, James, and Amelia; therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL
13 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of
14 Nancy Ann Neumiller, and extend our sincere condolences to her
15 family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to the family of Nancy Neumiller as an expression of
19 our deepest sympathy.