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2 WHEREAS, It is the distinct privilege of the members of the 3 House of Representatives to recognize milestones in the lives 4 of citizens of the State; and

WHEREAS, Annie May was born on June 20, 1904, to Samuel and Samira Arzona "Zonie" Hackney Wood; she was the oldest of five children, sister to three sisters and one brother; and

WHEREAS, She graduated in 1923 from Eastern Illinois Normal School, now Eastern Illinois University, and taught in one-room schools throughout the Martinsville area until she married; and

11 WHEREAS, May married Ernest M. Nickles in 1933; together 12 they had three children: Marilyn was born in 1934; Carroll was 13 born in 1936 and died in 1949; and Dale was born in 1943; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Nickles returned to work after her children were grown, working as a cook in area nursing homes, including Burnsides in Marshall, Heartland in Casey, and Birchwood in Casey; she lived alone until the fall of 2003, when she moved to California to live with her daughter; she still has a home in Martinsville and returns there every summer; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Nickles has two surviving grandchildren, Kyle Nickles and Diane Sasada, and two that are deceased; she has five great-grandchildren, Kathrine, Michael, Kyle, and Shayla Nickles, and Ryan Sasada; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we honor May Nickles on reaching the distinguished age of 100 years; and be it further

28 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

- presented to Mrs. Nickles as an expression of our deepest 1
- 2 respect and esteem.