

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives wish to express their sincere condolences to  
4 the family and friends of Rayna Miller, who passed away on  
5 March 29, 2001; and

6 WHEREAS, Rayna Goldberg Miller was born on February 17,  
7 1928 in Chicago, Illinois; she was a graduate of Senn High  
8 School in Chicago and the National College of Education in  
9 Evanston; she served as a teacher at the University of  
10 Chicago Lab School and at Anshe Emet Day School in Chicago,  
11 and later as a substitute teacher in the Wilmette school  
12 system; and

13 WHEREAS, Rayna Goldberg Miller married Marvin Miller in  
14 1952; and

15 WHEREAS, Both Rayna Miller and her husband, Marvin,  
16 Miller, were actively involved in civic affairs in Wilmette;  
17 Mrs. Miller earned a reputation as an effective activist for  
18 civil rights and fair housing; she began her career as an  
19 activist with the League of Women Voters, where she gained  
20 training in governmental processes; in the early 1960's, she  
21 joined the fight against housing discrimination, and was a  
22 part of the regional fair-housing effort in 1965, known as  
23 the Summer Project, that concluded with a visit by Martin  
24 Luther King Jr. to Winnetka's Village Green; and

25 WHEREAS, Mrs. Miller's work continued through the 1970s  
26 and 1980s and led to the establishment of the Interfaith  
27 Housing Center of the Northern Suburbs; she became director  
28 in 1975; the group, which consisted of a coalition of  
29 churches and synagogues, worked on affordable housing for  
30 seniors and minorities; they also supported efforts to  
31 develop senior housing building such as Gates Manor in the  
32 Wilmette Village Center and Shore Line Place; and

1           WHEREAS, The passing of Rayna Miller will be deeply felt  
2 by all who knew and loved her, especially her husband, Marvin  
3 Miller; her family; her friends; and the Wilmette community  
4 who will remember her for her dedicated and inspiring work to  
5 her community; therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
7 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
8 we mourn, along with all who knew her, the death of Rayna  
9 Miller of Wilmette, Illinois; and be it further

10          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
11 presented to the family of Rayna Miller with our sincere  
12 condolences.