

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened
3 to learn of the death of Mila V. Nolan of Chicago, who passed
4 away March 20, 2002; and

5 WHEREAS, Mrs. Nolan earned her bachelor's and master's
6 degrees from DePaul University, preparing to be a music
7 teacher during the 1940s; she volunteered as a "grey lady"
8 for the American Red Cross during World War II, doing support
9 services at the Fifth Army Hospital in Chicago; and

10 WHEREAS, Mrs. Nolan married attorney Barney J. Nolan on
11 November 12, 1949; they spent thirty-five happy years
12 together before his death; Mr. and Mrs. Nolan were the proud
13 parents of Col. Brian Thomas Nolan, M.D.; and

14 WHEREAS, Mrs. Nolan began her teaching career at CVS
15 (Chicago Vocational) High School in the late 1940s; after a
16 sabbatical after her son was born, she taught at Morgan Park
17 High School in the late 1950s; the Nolans moved to the city's
18 Northwest Side in 1959, and she began teaching at Taft High
19 School, where she stayed until her retirement in 1985; during
20 her years there she directed the award-winning Girls' Chorus
21 and was a member of the advisory committee which planned the
22 Taft addition in the early 1970s; and

23 WHEREAS, Upon her retirement, Mrs. Nolan was asked to
24 write a column for the Edgebrook-Sauganash Times Review
25 newspaper to bridge the various parts of the Northwest Side's
26 Edgebrook area; she continued to write her "Bridging
27 Edgebrook" column until the week of her death; and

28 WHEREAS, Mrs. Nolan became very active with many
29 community groups through her involvement with writing the
30 column; she served more than three years on the Wildwood
31 School Local School Council as a community representative;

1 she was a past president of the Edgebrook Woman's Club, and a
2 member of the Portage Park Woman's Club; Mrs. Nolan was
3 completing her year as president of District 7 of the
4 Illinois Division of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Nolan was one of the first woman members of
7 the Logan Square Lions Club and a member of the Jefferson
8 Park Lions Club; and

9 WHEREAS, Mila Nolan supported many arts endeavors and was
10 a member of and volunteer for the Lyric Opera Guild for many
11 years; she volunteered in the 1960s for the Evanston
12 Historical Society at the Dawes House; and

13 WHEREAS, Mrs. Nolan was a long-time volunteer for the
14 American Cancer Society; she headed the Edgebrook Sauganash
15 Unit in the late 1980s, and served on the board of the
16 subsequent Northwest Unit for several years; and

17 WHEREAS, Among other organizations in which she
18 participated on the boards were the Northwest Action Council,
19 the 41st Ward Democratic Women's Organization, and the North
20 Edgebrook Civic Association;

21 WHEREAS, Mila Nolan will be deeply missed by all those
22 who knew her and loved her, especially her son, Col. Brian
23 Thomas (Betty) Nolan; her grandchildren Melissa and Steven;
24 her sister Sylvia Duba; and her many nieces and nephews;
25 therefore, be it

26 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
27 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
28 her family and friends, the passing of Mila V. Nolan of
29 Chicago; and be it further

30 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
31 presented to her son, Brian Nolan, and to Anne Lunde of the

1 Edgebrook-Sauganash Times Review with our most sincere
2 condolences.