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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 482

Offered March 3, 2014

Celebrating the life of Mildred Lonergan McAuliffe.

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WHEREAS, Mildred Lonergan McAuliffe, a beloved wife, mother, and friend and a dynamic member of her community, died on February 13, 2014; and

WHEREAS, a nearly lifelong resident of Syracuse, New York, Mildred "Millie" Lonergan graduated from Central High School in 1939; she earned a bachelor's degree from Syracuse University, where she was a member of Theta Phi Alpha sorority and Eta Pi Upsilon honorary society; and

WHEREAS, after graduating in 1943, Millie Lonergan pursued a career with Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, working as a claims adjuster in the Boston and San Francisco offices; she served her country during World War II by enrolling in flight school to train as an auxiliary pilot; and

WHEREAS, in 1947, Millie Lonergan married the love of her life, Jack McAuliffe, with whom she raised a family; she was deeply dedicated to her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren throughout her life; and

WHEREAS, Millie McAuliffe was an active contributor to her community, caring for those in need as a patient service volunteer for Community General Hospital, several local golf associations, and the local Democratic Party; and

WHEREAS, known for her joyful spirit, Millie McAuliffe brightened community and social events with her wry sense of humor and for singing rousing renditions of "Hello Dolly"; and

WHEREAS, a proud and devout Catholic, Millie McAuliffe enjoyed fellowship and worship with the community as a founding member of St. Ann's Church; she also served as an early president of the Altar and Rosary Society; and

WHEREAS, Millie McAuliffe will be fondly remembered and greatly missed by her sons, John, Joseph, Thomas, and Terence, and their families; and numerous other family members and friends; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby note with great sadness the loss of Mildred Lonergan McAuliffe, a beloved wife, mother, and friend and an active member of her community; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to the family of Mildred Lonergan McAuliffe as an expression of the General Assembly's respect for her memory.