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No. R-24. House concurrent resolution in memory of former Representative Marion Milne of Washington.

(H.C.R.13)

Offered by: All Members of the House Offered by: All Members of the Senate

Whereas, former Representative Marion Milne of Washington was born in Brooklyn, New York, and in 1957 she married Vermonter Don Milne who would later serve as the Clerk of the House of Representatives, and

Whereas, despite departing school at 16 years of age, Marion Milne later earned both her high school equivalency diploma and a bachelor's degree in political science from Goddard College, and

Whereas, in 1975, Marion Milne established the one-woman Milne Travel in Barre City, now a large and respected multistate travel agency, and

Whereas, Marion Milne's business acumen resulted in her becoming the Central Vermont Chamber of Commerce's first woman president, and

Whereas, her other civic roles included service on many community panels, including the boards of the Green Mountain United Way and the Calef Memorial Library in Washington, and the Vermont State Advisory Committee to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, and

Whereas, in 1994, Marion Milne was elected from her Orange County district to serve in the House of Representatives, and

Whereas, as a House member, Representative Marion Milne cochaired the Women's Caucus and was honored with its 2000 Legislator of the Year Award, and

Whereas, in 2000, Marion Milne spoke passionately on the House floor to announce that as a matter of conscience she was supporting legislation establishing civil unions, acknowledging the vote would probably end her legislative career, and

Whereas, Marion and Don Milne were named as corecipients of the Town of Washington's 2010 Citizen of the Year Award, and

Whereas, former Representative Marion Milne died at 79 years of age on August 11, 2014, and her death saddened many, and

Whereas, family survivors include her husband, Don, son, Scott, son and daughter-in-law, Chris and Marjorie, daughter and son-in-law, Cathy and Scott Frey, daughter-in-law, Deborah Milne, eight grandchildren, sisters, Agnes, Irene, and Jean, and many extended family members, now therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives:

That the General Assembly extends its condolences to the family of former Representative Marion Milne of Washington, and be it further

<u>Resolved</u>: That the Secretary of State be directed to send copies of this resolution to the family of former Representative Marion Milne.