



1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to congratulate Nona Alverda Tierney, an
4 esteemed resident of Alton, on the occasion of the celebration
5 of her 90th birthday in September 2004; and

6 WHEREAS, Nona Alverda Tierney was born on September 7, 1914
7 in Bridgewater, Iowa, one of eleven children born to parents
8 Guy Greenleaf Lowry and Carrie Clyde Standley; and

9 WHEREAS, She attended school in Fontanelle, Iowa and earned
10 her teacher's certificate in elementary education in 1932; and

11 WHEREAS, She married William Patrick Tierney on February
12 12, 1938 in Wheatland, Wyoming; and

13 WHEREAS, Nona Alverda Tierney and William Tierney had three
14 children, Sherryl A. Unger, William P. Tierney, and Mary E.
15 Tierney; they have 6 grandchildren, 7 great-grandchildren, and
16 2 great-great-grandchildren; and

17 WHEREAS, She has lived at 400 Brentwood Street in Alton for
18 62 years and takes great pride in maintaining her yard and
19 flower beds; she also researched and published a book on the
20 history of Brentwood Street; and

21 WHEREAS, She has been an active member of the First
22 Christian Church of Alton since 1945; and

23 WHEREAS, Nona Alverda Tierney has been a teacher's aid in
24 the Grandparents Program of the Alton school system for 18
25 years (1979-1997); and

26 WHEREAS, She volunteered as a Gray Lady visiting patients
27 at a local hospital; and she was honored by the Masons in

1 recognition of her contributions to the community; and

2 WHEREAS, She compiled and published a memorial volume
3 honoring the life of her daughter Mary E. Tierney; and

4 WHEREAS, During the years she has lived in Alton, Nona
5 Alverda Tierney has used her wide variety of life experiences
6 to help others; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
9 extend heartiest congratulations and best wishes to Nona
10 Alverda Tierney on the occasion of her 90th birthday; and be it
11 further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to Nona Alverda Tierney as an expression of our
14 respect and esteem.