

SPEAKER BATCHELDER - REPRESENTATIVES ANIELSKI - BAKER - DOVILLA

*Honoring the late Lillian W. Burke
as a member of the James A. Garfield Hall of Fame Class of 2012.*

WHEREAS, The members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio extend posthumous recognition to the Honorable Lillian W. Burke as an inductee of the 2012 James A. Garfield Hall of Fame, sponsored by the Republican Party of Cuyahoga County; and

WHEREAS, Lillian Burke helped to guarantee a high level of success for all projects with which she was associated, and she strove to fulfill the myriad goals of the Republican Party in a competent and responsible manner. Indeed, this fine distinction honors her legacy and her exemplary service to the party; and

WHEREAS, Lillian Burke was the first African-American female to be elected a judge in the State of Ohio, serving the Cleveland Municipal Court from 1969 until her retirement in 1987, and she was a former member of the Ohio Industrial Commission and the Music School Settlement Board of Directors, the chief municipal court administrator, and the secretary for the local Republican Party. In addition, she was the recipient of numerous awards, and she is worthy of emulation for her many efforts; and

WHEREAS, Whether occupying center stage or working diligently in the wings, Lillian Burke always made her dynamic, supportive presence felt. This accolade is a justifiable source of pride and an excellent reflection not only on her but also on her family and her community, and we commend her on her tremendous work; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the House of Representatives of the 129th General Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, pay tribute to the late Lillian W. Burke on her record of service and salute the memory of this remarkable woman; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit duly authenticated copies of this Resolution to the family of the Honorable Lillian W. Burke.