## 1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

- 2 WHEREAS, The General Assembly takes pride in recognizing
- 3 the accomplishments and contributions of Illinois officials
- 4 and citizens; and
- 5 WHEREAS, The General Assembly, as an august body,
- 6 exercises discerning judgement in resolutions to cite the
- 7 noted achievements of a select individual, especially when
- 8 bestowing one of the highest methods of recognition by the
- 9 State; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Justice Benjamin K. Miller began serving as
- 11 Circuit Court Judge in Illinois for the 7th Judicial Circuit
- in 1976; he was the Presiding Judge in that Circuit's
- criminal felony division, and in 1981 was the Chief Judge of
- 14 the 7th Judicial Circuit; he was elected in 1982 to the
- 15 Fourth District Appellate Court and in 1984 to the Illinois
- 16 Supreme Court; he served as Chief Justice of the Illinois
- 17 Supreme Court from 1991 to 1994; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Justice Miller served the judicial branch
- 19 wisely at all three levels of the Illinois court system,
- 20 wrote numerous landmark judicial opinions, made noble
- 21 contributions to jurisprudence, and served his profession,
- 22 the citizens, and the State of Illinois with integrity and
- 23 distinction; and
- 24 WHEREAS, Benjamin Miller has made vital contributions of
- 25 service and merit to the State of Illinois and to the State's
- 26 citizens, and he deserves to have his achievements noted and
- 27 remembered by current and future generations, as they are
- honored by the General Assembly today; therefore, be it
- 29 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL
- 30 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF
- 31 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we rename the 4th

- 1 District Appellate Court Building at 201 West Monroe Street
- 2 in Springfield in honor of Justice Benjamin Miller, and in
- 3 implementing this honor, we designate that court building as
- 4 the Justice Benjamin Miller 4th District Appellate Court
- 5 Building; and be it further
- 6 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this preamble and
- 7 resolution be presented to Justice Benjamin Miller and to the
- 8 Director of Central Management Services, the Chief Justice of
- 9 the Illinois Supreme Court, and the other operating
- 10 authorities for the cited building.