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Senator Gavarone

A RESOLUTION

Honoring Denise Niese on receiving a 2021 NCOA Trailblazer in Aging Award.

WHEREAS, The members of the Senate of the 134th General Assembly of Ohio are pleased to recognize Denise Niese on being presented with the National Institute of Senior Centers Founders Award as part of the 2021 National Council on Aging Trailblazer in Aging Awards; and

WHEREAS, Denise Niese is, indeed, a remarkable individual, combining civic concern and dedication with selfless initiative to become a dynamic advocate for older adults. This prestigious honor is a fitting tribute to her for the outstanding efforts she has displayed over the course of her career, and among her endeavors, she has served as the executive director of the Wood County Committee on Aging since 2005, the president of the Ohio Association of Senior Centers, and the treasurer for the NCOA's National Institute of Senior Centers Delegate Council, where she led the effort to update the standards of excellence to accommodate online submissions; and

WHEREAS, Denise Niese's superlative record of accomplishment is a justifiable source of pride, for she has brought the full measure of her enthusiasm and public spirit to improving the lives of her fellow Ohioans. Diligent and painstaking in her approach to her work, she has expended countless hours and seemingly inexhaustible energy in the interest of various projects, including securing a capital grant for a new senior center in Wood County, and it is through the unsurpassed efforts and consistent support of conscientious individuals such as she that our state has remained responsive to the needs of its senior citizens; and

WHEREAS, Routinely exhibiting unparalleled energy, skill, and 25 initiative, Denise Niese has served the Bowling Green community with 26

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