

## As Introduced

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**S. R. No. 129**

**Senator Gavarone**

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### 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  
initiative, Denise Niese has served the Bowling Green community with

genuine distinction, and she has gained the enduring respect and 27  
admiration of everyone who appreciates integrity, intelligence, and 28  
determination. An individual of exceptional civic concern and 29  
commitment, she has pursued her goals in a painstaking manner, never 30  
failing to overcome even the most seemingly insurmountable obstacle, 31  
and she has amply demonstrated how very much a conscientious and 32  
industrious person can accomplish; therefore be it 33

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the Senate of the 134th General 34  
Assembly of Ohio, in adopting this Resolution, congratulate Denise 35  
Niese on her recent accolade and salute her as one of Ohio's finest 36  
citizens; and be it further 37

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit a duly 38  
authenticated copy of this Resolution to Denise Niese. 39