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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 7

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11 MAY, MERTZ, METCALF, MILLAGE, MURPHY, O'BRIEN,  
12 OSTERHAUS, QUIRK, RAECKER, RANTS, RAYHONS, REKOW,  
13 REYNOLDS, RICHARDSON, ROBERTS, SCHERRMAN, SCHRADER,  
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16 VAN FOSSEN, WARNSTADT, WEIDMAN, and WITT

17 A Resolution recognizing the achievements of Nancy Coover  
18 Andreasen.

19 WHEREAS, Nancy Coover Andreasen, M.D., Ph.D., the  
20 Andrew Woods Chair of Psychiatry, University of Iowa  
21 College of Medicine, Editor of the American Journal of  
22 Psychiatry, and author of hundreds of articles and  
23 books including "The Broken Brain: The Biological  
24 Revolution in Psychiatry" in 1984, is recognized  
25 internationally for her distinguished contributions as  
26 an educator, author, researcher, and provider of  
27 mental health services in the field of psychiatry; and

28 WHEREAS, in her over 30 years of study and research  
29 in the field of psychiatry, Dr. Andreasen has been a  
30 leader and a visionary in her profession by, in

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1 addition to her vast number of other accomplishments,  
2 developing a tool to evaluate psychiatric  
3 abnormalities and to rank their severity, which  
4 evolved into a tool to rate symptoms of schizophrenia  
5 becoming a "citation classic," cited more than the  
6 works of Sigmund and Anna Freud combined; utilizing  
7 neuroimaging to pinpoint and measure the biological  
8 basis of human behavior in mental illness,  
9 particularly schizophrenia; and being the first to  
10 demonstrate a relationship between manic-depressive  
11 illness and creativity; and

12 WHEREAS, while Dr. Andreasen has been recognized by  
13 her peers for her contributions to her profession with  
14 numerous honors and awards, she is also recognized for  
15 her compassion toward her patients, as an advocate for  
16 persons with chronic mental illness, and as a person  
17 who through her unique ability to make brain research  
18 understandable to the public has provided relief and  
19 hope to persons with mental illness and their  
20 families; and

21 WHEREAS, Dr. Andreasen once analogized the need for  
22 a vision of the future in scientific research to  
23 hockey, recalling a quote from Wayne Gretzky: "I  
24 skate to where the puck will be, not to where it is";  
25 and

26 WHEREAS, Dr. Andreasen has received numerous  
27 honors, including most recently the President's  
28 National Medal of Science on December 1, 2000, which  
29 has only been awarded to 374 distinguished scientists  
30 and engineers and to only three Iowans since its

1 inception in 1959; and

2 WHEREAS, the inscription on the President's  
3 National Medal of Science awarded to Dr. Andreasen  
4 reads, "For her pivotal contributions to the social  
5 and behavioral sciences, through the integrative study  
6 of mind, brain, and behavior, by joining behavioral  
7 science with the technologies of neuroscience and  
8 neuroimaging in order to understand mental processes  
9 such as memory and creativity, and mental illnesses  
10 such as schizophrenia"; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Andreasen's humility in the midst of  
12 all the acclaim is best typified by her own words in  
13 acknowledging her most recent award: "I am a firm  
14 believer that the importance of one's work is the  
15 process of doing it, not in getting awards. When I  
16 die, I don't care what prizes I won. I care about  
17 what contributions I can make through my work"; NOW  
18 THEREFORE,

19 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
20 That the House of Representatives recognizes Dr.  
21 Andreasen not only as an award-winning,  
22 internationally acknowledged psychiatrist, educator,  
23 researcher, and author, but as an Iowa treasure who  
24 through her genuine compassion and dedication has  
25 improved the lives of and has provided hope and  
26 understanding to persons with mental illness and their  
27 families.

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