

WHEREAS, Ola Babcock Miller began her service as an advocate and a leader in the state for women's suffrage; and

WHEREAS, Ola Babcock Miller was elected in 1932 as Iowa's first female Secretary of State and was reelected twice, dying at age 65 while serving her third term; and

WHEREAS, Ola Babcock Miller's most outstanding achievement was that of founding the Iowa State Patrol, after convincing the state legislature that a statewide law enforcement agency was needed, particularly to enforce highway safety laws; and

WHEREAS, the Iowa State Patrol was created in 1935 and placed under Ola Babcock Miller's control where it grew from a force of 50 men to 150 patrol officers by 1938; and

WHEREAS, today, the Iowa State Patrol, part of the Department of Public Safety, has 439 patrol officers, 13 of whom are women; and

WHEREAS, in her position as Secretary of State, Ola Babcock Miller lobbied for other issues of import, which included a 1935 campaign against drunken drivers; and

WHEREAS, Ola Babcock Miller, in her private life, served in leadership positions in numerous organizations, including the PEO Sisterhood, serving at different times as both its state and national president; NOW THEREFORE,

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

That the state office building located at 1112 East Grand Avenue, which houses the State Library, the Board of Regents, and the Crime Victim Assistance Division of the Attorney General's Office is named the Ola Babcock Miller State Office Building in honor of Viola "Ola" Babcock Miller; and that an appropriate commemorative plaque be placed near the entrance of the Ola Babcock Miller State Office Building in recognition of Ola Babcock Miller and the outstanding contributions she made to the state in her public and private service.

Approved April 23, 1999

CHAPTER 210

ROCK ISLAND ARSENAL — ADDITIONAL PRODUCTION WORK REQUEST

H.J.R. 13

A JOINT RESOLUTION requesting the United States Department of Defense and the United States Army to place additional production work at the Rock Island Arsenal.

WHEREAS, the United States army has indicated that there will be a layoff of several hundred skilled production employees at the Rock Island Arsenal manufacturing facilities during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1999; and

WHEREAS, the placement of additional work at the Rock Island Arsenal by the United States Army could be facilitated through the Arsenal Act, which allows for noncompetitive work loading of the Arsenal, and the Competition in Contracting Act, which would designate the Arsenal an industrial preparedness facility; and

WHEREAS, indications of recent increased tension in the Middle East region and in North Korea may require an increased level of production for needed war fighting equipment and materiel; and

WHEREAS, achieving an increased level of production would more readily be accomplished by placing additional production work at a facility which is maintained in a mobilized status with experienced employees working to protect American interests; and

WHEREAS, the Rock Island Arsenal has proven capable of producing many weapons systems at a lower cost than producers of such systems in the private sector and thus accordingly warrants a greater share of the production and rehabilitation of these systems being placed at the Arsenal; and

WHEREAS, an immediate response to any conflict or emergency can be made by the Rock Island Arsenal in contrast to potential private sector delays; NOW THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

That the United States Department of Defense and the United States Army are urged to place additional production work at the Rock Island Arsenal to maintain the current employment level, increase production work, and lower overall production costs at the Arsenal; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the President of the United States, the United States Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of the Army, the Commander of Headquarters of the Army Material Command, the Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives, and to members of the Illinois and Iowa congressional delegations.

CHAPTER 211

NULLIFICATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULE — PREPARATION OF DESCRIPTIONS OF BALLOT ISSUES

H.J.R. 15

A JOINT RESOLUTION to nullify an administrative rule of the secretary of state concerning preparation of descriptions of constitutional amendments and statewide public measures and providing an effective date.

Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. 721 Iowa administrative code, rule 21.200, subrule 3, paragraph a, lines 1 and 2 through the word “voters,” is nullified.

Sec. 2. **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Joint Resolution, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.