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2017 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 60

June 15, 2017 - Introduced by Senators Carpenter, L. Taylor, Johnson, Hansen, Wirch, Vinehout and Larson, cosponsored by Representatives Riemer, Zamarripa, Ballweg, Zepnick, Kerkman, Goyke, Kessler, Genrich, Anderson, Spreitzer, Berceau and Crowley. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: the life and public service of Sister Joel Read. 1 $\mathbf{2}$ Whereas, Sister Joel Read was a nationally known figure in education innovation; and 3 Whereas, she was born Janice Anne Read on December 30, 1925, to Joseph and 4 5 Ellen, later taking her religious name, Joel, in honor of them; and 6 Whereas, Read became a member of the School Sisters of St. Francis in 1945, 7 and graduated with a bachelor's degree from Alverno College in 1948; and 8 Whereas, after earning a master's degree in history at Fordham University, she 9 returned to Alverno in 1955 to become chair of the history department; and 10 Whereas, Read was appointed president of Alverno College in 1968; and Whereas, during her 35 years of leadership at Alverno, she developed the 11 12 "assessment-as-learning" curriculum, which emphasized developing skills and 13 abilities over grades; and

1	Whereas, Read's approach to education received both national and
2	international attention, and she was appointed by President Jimmy Carter to the
3	National Council on the Humanities; and
4	Whereas, Read was a lifelong advocate for women's rights and helped to found
5	the National Organization for Women in 1966; and
6	Whereas, Read retired as president of Alverno in 2003, but continued to work
7	with the college and the city, developing a strategic plan for the Milwaukee Public
8	Schools with the Greater Milwaukee Committee; and
9	Whereas, Read received awards from Harvard University, the Association of
10	Catholic Colleges and Universities, and Wisconsin Women in Higher Education
11	Leadership; and
12	Whereas, Read was invited to the White House to discuss education policy by
13	three U.S. presidents; and
14	Whereas, Read died on May 25, 2017, at the age of 91; and
15	Whereas, she leaves a legacy at Alverno of creating a place for first generation
16	college students, women from the city of Milwaukee, and women of color to succeed;
17	now, therefore, be it
18	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the legislature
19	salutes Sister Joel Read's public service and honors her achievements; and, be it
20	further
21	Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
22	resolution to Alverno College.
23	(END)