

1 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 11

2 BY ANGELO

3 A Resolution honoring and celebrating the life of
4 Iowa's own Johnny Carson.

5 WHEREAS, with the passing of Johnny (John William)
6 Carson on January 23, 2005, Iowa has lost one of its
7 favorite and most accomplished sons; and

8 WHEREAS, Johnny Carson was born in Corning, Iowa,
9 on October 23, 1925; and

10 WHEREAS, he also lived in Clarinda, Red Oak, and
11 Avoca, before leaving the state at the age of eight
12 and growing up in Norfolk, Nebraska; and

13 WHEREAS, Johnny Carson was the undisputed king of
14 late-night television, hosting The Tonight Show from
15 1962 to 1992 and winning several Emmy Awards in the
16 process; and

17 WHEREAS, Johnny Carson never forgot his Iowa roots,
18 as he demonstrated by featuring a "Corning Night" on
19 The Tonight Show, donating funds for an art center in
20 Red Oak, Iowa, providing some \$75,000 for a skate park
21 in Corning, Iowa, happily inviting Iowans to become
22 guests on his show, and winning the coveted title,
23 "Cooper, Iowa's 51st Citizen", in competition with
24 game-show host Bob Barker, Henry "Fonzie" Winkler, and
25 Princess Grace of Monaco; NOW THEREFORE,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate
27 celebrates the life and accomplishments of Johnny
28 Carson, a man of wealth and fame who recognized the
29 value of making people laugh and who never forgot his
30 Iowa roots, characteristics which made him

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1 unforgettable to citizens throughout the state.

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