

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 376

Introduced by McDonnell, 5.

WHEREAS, Caterina Giulivo was born in Reggio Calabria, Italy, in 1935, grew up, and married Luigi Malara; and

WHEREAS, Luigi and Caterina Malara, both wishing a better life, moved to Buenos Aires, Argentina, around 1954 and began their family, having three girls; and

WHEREAS, in 1963 the couple came to the United States of America with their three daughters to care for Caterina's mother who had been diagnosed with breast cancer. It was during this time their fourth daughter was born; and

WHEREAS, Luigi Malara died in 1967 in a work-related accident. Caterina Malara was left alone in a new country to raise four daughters; and

WHEREAS, Caterina Malara, realizing the United States of America was the land where she wanted to raise her family, worked hard to become a productive citizen for herself and her children; and

WHEREAS, Caterina Malara, a proud and independent woman, wanting to provide for her family, did what she had to do to make life comfortable for her daughters; and

WHEREAS, Caterina Malara baked, sewed, babysat, and made all of her Italian culinary specialties available for friends to purchase, leading her to open her own business; and

WHEREAS, in 1984, Caterina Malara opened Malara's Italian Restaurant in an old store front on the corner of 22nd and Pierce Streets in Omaha; and

WHEREAS, Caterina Malara began her restaurant as a food take-out business, later growing it into a full service establishment seating 220 patrons; and

WHEREAS, Caterina Malara was an active member of the former St. Ann's parish, sending all four daughters through St. Ann's grade school; and

WHEREAS, Caterina Malara continues to run her restaurant from the kitchen every day; and

WHEREAS, Caterina Malara's family continues to be her number one priority. Her family has grown to include 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren who love to visit their Nani; and

WHEREAS, Malara's Italian Restaurant is one of Nebraska's longest performing, woman owned and operated businesses, having been in operation for over 36 years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Legislature recognizes the excellent service of Caterina Malara to Nebraska and honors her as an outstanding citizen, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Caterina Malara.