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Introduction
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A Senate resolution

honoring the life of Camille Gage.

WHEREAS, our communities benefit greatly from the presence of the artists who beautify the world, challenge the status quo, and inspire further creativity to blossom in others; and

WHEREAS, Camille Gage began to explore her love of the arts in her teenage years, first writing music and touring with a number of musical acts. Most notably, Camille was a founding member of Têtes Noires, an all-female rock band with cleverly subversive and overtly feminist lyrics that helped pave the way for women in the industry. With her five bandmates, Camille toured for five years, playing at iconic venues including CBGB and First Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Camille's visual art met great renown and often explored the intersection of the temporal nature of life, the generational bonds of families, and contemporary social issues. She took her role as a creator seriously and believed that artists have a unique power to manifest a more compassionate and peaceful world. Her works were displayed locally at the Minneapolis Institute of Art and the Weisman Art Museum; and

WHEREAS, Camille moved to Minneapolis from Racine, Wisconsin, in 1983 as a single mother seeking a more vibrant creative environment. She completed a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from the Minneapolis College of Art and Design and became a community activist, engaging people within her community through collaborative poetry and visual art; and

WHEREAS, Camille passed away on December 5, 2022, at the age of 66 after quietly but determinedly battling cancer over the previous ten months; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Minnesota that it honors the life of Camille Gage and extends its deepest condolences to all who were fortunate to know and love her.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is directed to prepare an enrolled copy of this resolution, to be authenticated by the Secretary's signature and that of the Chair of the Senate Rules and Administration Committee, and transmit it to the family of Camille Gage.

Tom Bottern
Secretary of the Senate

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Chair, Senate Committee on
Rules and Administration

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