



Donna Kjendlie

WHEREAS Mrs. Donna Kjendlie has distinguished herself through more than thirty years of service to the Wisconsin genealogical community rendered through the Rock County Genealogical Society, the Walworth County Genealogical Society, the German Interest Group – Wisconsin, the Green County Genealogical Society, and through teaching genealogy classes and doing professional research, and

WHEREAS Mrs. Kjendlie was a long-standing member of the Rock County Genealogical Society, serving as its President for seven years beginning in 1979 and in various other offices until 1995, incorporating the society, implementing the printing of publications, and co-chairing an ancestral exhibit at the Rock County Historical Society in Janesville, and

WHEREAS Mrs. Kjendlie served the Walworth County Genealogical Society as a Director in 1989, and as either its Vice President or President from 1990 through 2006, during which time she was instrumental in incorporating the society and holding many workshops and classes, particularly in her special interest of preservation of heirlooms and documents, and

WHEREAS Mrs. Kjendlie, seeing a need for a German Interest Group, proceeded to form such a group in 1991 to help local researchers network on their German research and served as its President until 1997, as well as being instrumental in providing their newsletter and setting up workshops, and

WHEREAS Mrs. Kjendlie moved her own genealogical library into the Origins Bookstore in Janesville during the 1990s for others to use in their research, as well as holding classes there and continuing to promote the local genealogical societies and German Interest Group, and

WHEREAS Mrs. Kjendlie co-founded the Green County Genealogical Society in 2001, and has since helped them become incorporated, secured space for a research library, guided the society in producing over 25 publications, spearheaded a project to index newspaper obituaries and local news stories, established a monthly newsletter, and currently serves as its President, NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society expresses to Mrs. Donna Kjendlie its sincerest thanks and deepest appreciation for her years of dedication and service, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Wisconsin State Genealogical Society hereby inducts Mrs. Donna Kjendlie into the Virginia V. Irvin Volunteer Hall of Fame.

Adopted at Manitowoc, Wisconsin, this 16th day of April 2010