

Senate

Record of Committee Proceedings

**Committee on Senate Organization**

**Senate Joint Resolution 11**

Relating to: proclaiming May 3rd of every year, Trzeciego Maja Day.

By Senators Drzewiecki, Shibilski, Moen, Zien, Grobschmidt, Schultz, Darling and Erpenbach; cosponsored by Representatives Ryba, Suder, Plale, Rhoades, Hahn, Sykora, Urban, Montgomery, Krug, Gronemus, Bock, Miller, Seratti, Kreuser and Owens.

March 2, 1999            Referred to committee on Senate Organization.

March 12, 1999        **EXECUTIVE SESSION - POLLING**

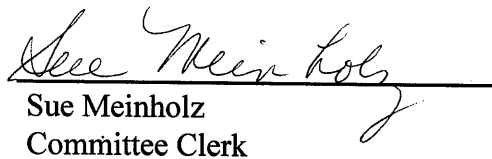
Moved by Senator Chvala, that **Senate Joint Resolution 11** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes:    (5) Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen, Ellis and Rude.

Noes:    (0) None.

Absent: (0) None.

ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0, Absent 0

  
Sue Meinholz  
Committee Clerk

*Senate*

**Committee Report**

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The committee on Senate Organization, reports and recommends:

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ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0, Absent 0

Ayes: (5) Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen, Ellis and Rude.

Noes: (0) None.

Absent: (0) None.

**Assembly Joint Resolution 25**

Relating to: proclaiming May 14, 15 and 16, 1999, as Syttende Mai Weekend.

By Representatives Johnsrud, Hahn, Musser, Ryba, Urban, Ward, Krug, Bock, Plouff, Miller, Pohan, Olsen, Sykora, Seratti, Vrakas, Albers, Colon and Spillner; cosponsored by Senators Chvala, Rude, Burke, Moen, Drzewiecki, Huelsman, Cowles, Zien, Clausing and Erpenbach.

CONCURRENCE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0, Absent 0

Ayes: (5) Senators Chvala, Risser, Moen, Ellis and Rude.

Noes: (0) None.

Absent: (0) None.



Senator Charles Chvala

Chair



State Senator  
**Chuck Chvala**  
SENATE DEMOCRATIC LEADER

TO: Members of the Committee on Senate Organization


FROM: Senator Chuck Chvala  
Chair

Date: March 12, 1999

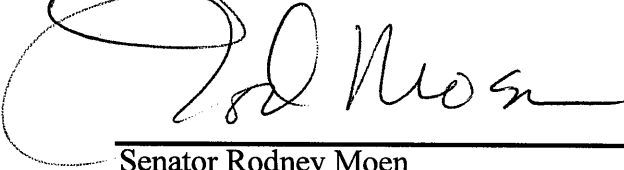
SUBJECT: **Senate Joint Resolution 11**

**Relating to proclaiming May 3<sup>rd</sup> of every year, Trzeciego Maja Day..**

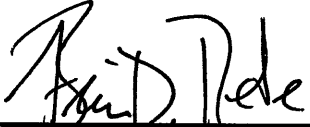
I am recommending adoption of the attached joint resolution. Please review and indicate your approval by signing below. Please forward this ballot to the next office listed. Thank you.

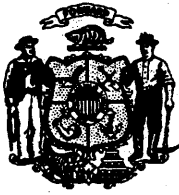
  
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Senator Chuck Chvala 3/15/99  
(Date)

  
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Senator Fred Rissler 3/18/99  
(Date)

  
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Senator Rodney Moen 3/15/99  
(Date)

  
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Senator Michael Ellis 3/16/99  
(Date)

  
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Senator Brian Rude 3/16/99  
(Date)



## 1999 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming May 3rd of every year, Trzeciego Maja Day.

2       Whereas, "Trzeciego Maja", May 3, 1999, marks the 208th anniversary of the  
3 signing of the Polish Constitution on May 3, 1791; and

4       Whereas, the Polish Constitution was the first written constitution in Europe;  
5 and

6       Whereas, the Polish Constitution, modeled after that of the United States,  
7 established the bold principle that the power to govern emanates from the people;  
8 and

9       Whereas, the Polish Constitution established a bicameral legislature, a system  
10 of checks and balances, an elected judiciary and trial by jury, the concept of habeas  
11 corpus and freedom of religion; and

12       Whereas, this document, described as "radical, if not revolutionary" by the  
13 tyrants of 18th century Europe, was nonetheless adopted without bloodshed; and

14       Whereas, the Polish Constitution was the product of a cross section of the best  
15 Polish political thought of the time, far-reaching in intent, with the promise for all

1 Polish citizens of a democratic form of government, one that would ensure all citizens  
2 respect and consideration; and

3       Whereas, the democratic and Western-oriented ideals inherent in the first  
4 Polish Constitution live on today within a citizenry that has played a leading role in  
5 bringing an end to Communism in Eastern Europe and in the country that was the  
6 Soviet Union and whose elected representatives are presently at work building a new  
7 societal system based on the precepts of political liberty linked in spirit to Poland's  
8 historic values as embodied in the Polish Constitution of 1791; now, therefore, be it

9       ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the legislature of  
10 the state of Wisconsin recognizes the contribution of the Polish Constitution to the  
11 advancement of democracy and freedom by proclaiming May 3rd of every year,  
12 "Trzeciego Maja Day" in the state of Wisconsin and invites all citizens to join their  
13 fellow Wisconsinites of Polish descent in celebrating Polish Constitution Day,  
14 "Trzeciego Maja".

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