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Subject: Information for joint resolution honoring John Shabaz

From: Lazich, Mary
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2012 5:03 PM
To: Lazich, Mary
Subject: John Shabaz

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MADISON - John C. Shabaz, senior Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin, passed away on Aug. 31, 2012, surrounded by his loving family.

Judge Shabaz was born in Milwaukee on June 25, 1931, the son of Cyrus D. and Harriet T. (Bottrell) Shabaz. He was a graduate of Nathan Hale High School and the University of Wisconsin. He served in the United States Army from 1954 to 1956. Shabaz joined his father's West Allis law practice upon graduating from Marquette Law School in 1957. In 1964 he was elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly. He served as Republican Floor Leader from 1973 until 1981, when he was appointed by President Ronald Reagan as a Federal District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin. On Sept. 6, 1986, John married Patricia Doughty formerly of Horicon. Together they raised two children, Emily and John. Upon taking senior status in 2009 Shabaz was able to spend more time at his beloved Okauchee Lake where he continued to pursue his favorite pastimes of swimming, boating and fishing. He also loved walking the beach for hours and hours at his vacation spot in Highland Beach, Fla. Judge Shabaz shared the feelings attributed to Theodore Roosevelt in his poem "I Choose Not To Be A Common Man." (google it).

Judge Shabaz is survived by his loving wife of 26 years, Patty of Madison; his children, Scott, Jeff, Emily and John; two sisters, Joanne (Wint) Gilman of Hendersonville, N.C. and Mary (Jim) Maiorano of New Berlin; nieces and nephews. He is further survived by two sheephead clubs in West Allis and Madison with members of questionable skill and many other treasured relatives, friends and colleagues. John was preceded in death by his parents and mother-in-law, Esther Doughty Luckhardt of Horicon.

Funeral services will be at EASTSIDE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, 2310 Independence Lane, Madison on Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2012, at 4 p.m. with the Rev. Glen Schmiede officiating. A visitation will be held at the church on Tuesday from 2 p.m. until the time of services. A private family interment will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations to Eastside Lutheran School are welcome or to the charity of your choice.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Waunakee Manor for the loving care and attention given to John. You are truly a special group of people.

We will dearly miss this uncommon man!

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From: Fuller, Patrick E.
Sent: Tuesday, September 04, 2012 8:58 AM
To: *Legislative Everyone
Subject: Passing of John Shabaz

I regret to inform you of the passing of former Representative and U.S. District Court Judge John Shabaz on Friday, August 31, 2012. John was a former member elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly in 1964 and served until 1981. He was then appointed as a Federal District Judge for the Western District of Wisconsin by President Ronald Reagan.

Funeral services will be held today, September 4, 2012. Details are as follows:

Time: 4:00p.m. (visitation will be held prior to the service beginning at 2:00p.m.)

Place: Eastside Evangelical Lutheran Church
2310 Independence Lane
Madison, WI

Attached is a link of John's obituary that appeared in Sunday's Wisconsin State Journal.

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Shabaz, John C.

Born June 25, 1931, in Milwaukee, WI

Died August 31, 2012

Federal Judicial Service:

Judge, U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin
Nominated by Ronald Reagan on November 4, 1981, to a seat vacated by James E. Doyle. Confirmed by the Senate on December 9, 1981, and received commission on December 10, 1981. Served as chief judge, 1996-2001. Assumed senior status on January 20, 2009. Service terminated on August 31, 2012, due to death.

Education:

Marquette University Law School, LL.B., 1957

Professional Career:

U.S. Army, 1954-1956

Private practice, West Allis, Wisconsin, 1957-1981

State representative, Wisconsin, 1964-1981

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RUTKOWSKI, JAMES, Dem. - 82nd District.

Residence: 10147 West Forest Home Ave., Hales Corners, WI 53130
Capitol office: 109 North, 266-8590
Committee membership: Judiciary (Chairperson); Criminal Justice and Public Safety; State-Federal Relations; Judicial Council.

SCHMIDT, EARL, Rep. - 87th District.

Residence: Route 1, Birnamwood, WI 54414
Capitol office: 302 West, 266-7461
Committee membership: Elections; Health and Human Services; Reapportionment.

SCHNEIDER, MARLIN, Dem. - 93rd District.

Residence: 3820 South Brook Lane, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494
Capitol office: 8 North, 266-0215
Committee membership: Revenue (Chairperson); Education; Veterans and Military Affairs (Vice-chairperson); Children and Human Development; Consumer and Commercial Credit.

SCHNEIDERS, LOLITA, Rep. - 97th District.

Residence: N87 W17151 Highland Ct., Menomonee Falls, WI 53051
Capitol office: 314 North, 266-3794
Committee membership: Criminal Justice and Public Safety; Local Affairs; Children and Human Development.

SCHOBER, JOHN, Rep. - 83rd District. (Effective 4-14-82).

Residence: S87 W22665 Edgewood Ave., Big Bend, WI 53103
Capitol Office: 335D North, 266-1170.
Committee membership: Urban Affairs and Housing; Consumer and Commercial Credit.

SHABAZ, JOHN, Rep. - 83rd District. (Resigned 12-18-81).

Residence: 21425 West Glengarry Road, New Berlin, WI 53151
Capitol office: 205 West, 266-2417
Committee membership: Labor; Reapportionment; Assembly Organization; Rules; Legislative Council; Interstate Cooperation Commission; Joint Committee on Legislative Organization; Joint Committee on Employment Relations; Disability Board.

SHOEMAKER, RICHARD, Dem. - 69th District.

Residence: 209 3rd St., West, Menomonie, WI 54751
Capitol office: 5 West, 266-2519
Committee membership: Small Business and Economic Development (Vice-chairperson); Agriculture and Nutrition (Vice-chairperson); Elections; State Affairs; Reapportionment; Minnesota-Wisconsin Boundary Area Commission; Legislative Advisory Committee (Co-Chairperson); Local Affairs (effective 5-12-81).

SMITH, PATRICIA SPAFFORD, - Dem. 75th District.

Residence: 823 Burgs Park, Shell Lake, WI 54871
Capitol office: 5 West, 266-2519
Committee membership: Joint Survey Committee on Tax Exemption (Co-chairperson) (effective 8-14-81); Tourism and Recreation (Vice-chairperson); Agriculture and Nutrition; Health and Human Services; Highways; Aging, Women and Minorities (Resigned 9-11-81) (effective 2-24-82); Government Operations (effective 5-28-82) (Resigned 12-16-82).

STITT, DONALD K., Rep. - 60th District.

Residence: 158 East Northport Drive, Port Washington, WI 53074.
Capitol office: 335D North, 266-1170.
Committee membership: Health and Human Services; Small Business and Economic Development; Urban Affairs and Housing; Judiciary (effective 1-21-82).

SWOBODA, LARRY, Dem. - 1st District.

Residence: Route 1, Luxemburg, WI 54217
Capitol office: 48D North, 266-5350
Committee membership: Highways (Vice-chairperson); Agriculture and Nutrition; Tourism and Recreation; Joint Survey Committee on Tax Exemptions (Vice-chairperson); Veterans and Military Affairs; State Building Commission.

TESMER, LOUISE, Dem. - 19th District.

Residence: 2314 East Rusk Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53207
Capitol office: 112 West, 266-8588
Committee membership: Aging, Women and Minorities; Judiciary; Criminal Justice and Public Safety; Reapportionment; Legislative Council; Rules; Assembly Organization.

THOMPSON, TOMMY, Rep. - 79th District.

Residence: 609 Academy St., Elroy, WI 53929
Capitol office: 205 West, 266-7746
Committee membership: Administrative Rules; Assembly Organization; Rules; Judiciary (resigned 1-21-82); Joint Committee on Legislative Organization; Children and Human Development (Resigned 4-2-81); Legislative Council (effective 12-18-81); Interstate Cooperation Commission (effective 12-18-81); Disability Board (effective 12-18-81); Joint Committee on Employment Relations (effective 12-18-81); Reapportionment (effective 1-15-82).

TRAVIS, DAVID, Dem. - 37th District.

Residence: 4229 Mandrake Road, Madison, WI 53704
Capitol office: 29 West, 266-5340
Committee membership: Criminal Justice and Public Safety (Chairperson); Reapportionment (Co-chairperson effective 10-29-81) Elections; Reapportionment; Judiciary; Radiation Protection Council.

TRAVIS, ROBERT, Rep. - 49th District.

Residence: 550 Campbell Ave., Platteville, WI 53818
Capitol office: 335D North, 266-1170
Committee membership: Education; Revenue; Rules (effective 12-18-81); Assembly Organization (effective 12-18-81).

TREGONING, JOSEPH, Rep. - 51st District.

Residence: Oates St., Shullsburg, WI 53586
Capitol office: 335A North, 266-7502
Committee membership: Agriculture and Nutrition; Consumer and Commercial Credit (Resigned 4-20-82); Labor; Transportation; Interstate Cooperation Commission.

TUCZYNSKI, PHILLIP, Dem. - 9th District.

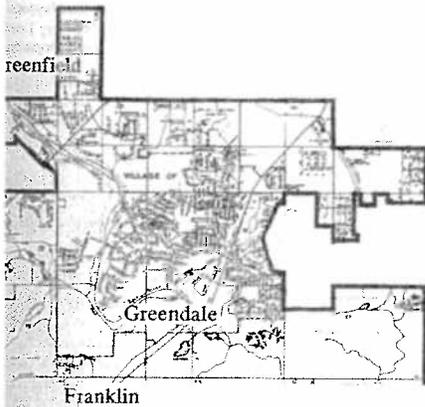
Residence: 3364A South 11th St., Milwaukee, WI 53215
Capitol office: 12 North, 266-0484
Committee membership: Job Creation and International Marketing Development (Chairperson) (Effective 10-29-81); Joint Audit (Co-chairperson) (Resigned 10-28-81); Consumer and Commercial Credit; Government Operations.

ULICHNY, BARBARA, Dem. - 25th District.

Residence: 2945 North Prospect Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53211
Capitol office: 11 East, 266-5830
Committee membership: Joint Audit (Co-chairperson effective 10-29-81); Judiciary (Resigned 12-4-81); Revenue; Transportation (Vice-chairperson); Urban Affairs and Housing.

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Graduated Shorewood High School; B.A. Princeton
1965. Attorney. Co-author, "Child Abuse Report-
ing Review" (1966). Member New Berlin Prospect
Soc.; Waukesha Co. Mental Health Assn.; Common

Biennial committee assignments: 1981 — Judiciary and Consumer Affairs
; Jt. Survey Com. on Retirement Systems (chp.);
— Governmental and Veterans Affairs (vice-chp.);
Revision (vice-chp., also 1977), Remedial Legislation
and Sexual Assault and Abuse; Judicial

in 53702.



Representative
RUTKOWSKI



Representative
SHABAZ



Representative
ALBERTS

James A. Rutkowski (Dem.), 82nd Assembly District.

Born Milwaukee, April 6, 1942; single. Grad. Bay View H.S.; B.S. in business Marquette Univ. 1964; J.D. 1966. Legislator and attorney; former instructor Marquette Univ., asst. instructor UW-Milw. Army Reserve 1966-72. Mbr. K. of C.; Greendale Roosters; Little Muskego Lake Assn.; Common Cause. Internatl. Platform Assn. Awards: *Wis. Man of Achievement*, 1976; *Community Leaders & Noteworthy Americans*, 10th ed., 1978; *Outstanding Young Man in America*, 1973; *Who's Who in Wis. Law*, 2nd ed., 1978. Elected Hales Corners trustee 1970.

Elected to Assembly since 1970. Biennial committee assignments: 1981 — Judiciary (chp., also 1979, 1977, mbr. 1975, 1973, 1971); Criminal Justice and Public Safety (also 1979, 1977); State-Federal Relations; Judicial Council. 1979 — Elections (vice-chp. 1975); Legis. Coun. Coms. on Constitutional Bail Revision, Courts (vice-Chp. 1979, mbr. 1977), Hearing Examiner System (vice-chp.), Law Revision, Pretrial Release (chp.), Product Liability (vice-chp. 1979, mbr. 1977), Strengthening the Family (also 1977). 1977 — Legis. Coun. Com. on Remedial Legis. (also 1975, 1973). 1975 — Jt. Survey Com. on Ret. Systems (co-chp.); Ret. Research Com. (co-chp.); Joint Audit Com. (co-chp.); Amer. Rev. Bicen. Com.; Legis. Coun. Com. on Judiciary (also 1973, 1971). 1973 — Tourism (chp.); Jt. Com. on Revisions, Repairs and Uniform Laws (vice-chp.); Legis. Coun. Com. on Recreation Industry (chp.).

Telephone: Capitol: (608) 266-8590; District: (414) 425-4227.
Voting address: 10147 W. Forest Home Ave. Hales Corners 53130.
Mailing address (office): Room 109 North, State Capitol, Madison 53702.

John C. Shabaz (Rep.), 83rd Assembly District.

Born Milwaukee, June 25, 1931; married; 2 children. Grad. West Allis Nathan Hale H.S.; UW-Madison; L.L. B. Marquette Univ. 1957. Legislator, attorney. Army 1954-56. Mbr. state and county bar assns.; New Berlin Lions. Former mbr. Wis. Jaycees (natl. dir.); Metro. Jaycees (past pres.); Wis. Jaycees' *One of 5 Outstanding Young Men in Wisconsin* 1965.

Elected to Assembly since 1964. Minority Leader 1981, 1979, 1977, 1975, 1973; Asst. Min. Ldr. 1971; Asst. Maj. Ldr. 1969. Biennial committee assignments: 1981 — Assembly Organization (since 1975); Rules (since 1971); Labor (since 1975); Reapportionment; Jt. Com. on Legis. Organization (since 1973); Jt. Com. on Employment Relations (since 1973); Disability Board (since 1973); Legislative Council (since 1969); Interstate Coop. Comn. (also 1979, 1977, 1975, chp. 1973). 1977 — Legis. Coun. Coms. on Municipal Collective Bargaining Process and on State Employment Relations.

Telephone: Capitol: (608) 266-2417; District: (414) 679-0649.
Voting address: 21425 Glengarry Road, New Berlin 53151.
Mailing address (office): Room 205 West, State Capitol, Madison 53702.

John M. Alberts (Rep.), 84th Assembly District.

Born Oconomowoc, April 24, 1933; married; 4 children. Grad. Oconomowoc High School; B.S. Carroll College 1957. Businessman. Member Kiwanis; Oconomowoc Fish and Game Club; Oconomowoc Sports Booster Club; Potawatomi Boy Scout Council. Former member Oconomowoc Jaycees (past president); Oconomowoc Toastmasters.

Elected to Assembly 1968-1972. Elected in April 7, 1981 special election to fill vacancy created by the resignation of Rep. Harry Snyder. Biennial committee assignments: 1981 — State-Federal Relations; Urban Affairs and Housing.

Telephone: Capitol: (608) 266-1190; District: (414) 567-6150.
Voting address: 1228 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Oconomowoc 53066.
Mailing address (office): Room 336 North, State Capitol, Madison 53702.

U.S. District Judge Shabaz dies at age 81



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This 1983 file photo shows U.S. District Judge John Shabaz.

By [Annysa Johnson](#) of the Journal Sentinel
Aug. 31, 2012

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U.S. District Judge John Shabaz, a conservative Republican lawmaker named to the federal bench by President Ronald Reagan in 1981, died Friday. He was 81.

Shabaz served eight terms in the Wisconsin Assembly - earning the nickname "Dr. No," along with then-Rep. Tommy Thompson, for their efforts to thwart Democratic legislation - before taking the bench in the Western District of Wisconsin.

Shabaz served as chief judge from 1996 to 2001. He moved to senior status, a form of semiretirement, in 2009.

"John Shabaz was a person of principle, of integrity, who never let his philosophy get in the way of a good friendship," said former Democratic Gov. Tony Earl, who served with Shabaz in the Assembly in the late '60s and early '70s.

"Though we were on opposite sides of the political aisle, on a personal level, we were always the best of friends," he said. "I admired him very much."

Shabaz was born in Milwaukee and graduated from the University of Wisconsin-Madison before earning his law degree from Marquette University.

He represented the New Berlin area in the Assembly, first elected in 1964, and governed with the majority until Democrats took control of the Legislature in 1970.

A fiscal conservative, Shabaz fought the growth of social programs and government, and was once picketed by Father James Groppi for his proposed cuts to state welfare programs.

"He had a reputation in the Legislature for telling the hard truths and living his principles," said his wife of 26 years, Patty Doughty Shabaz.

Shabaz was known as a quick study - he knew the content and nuances of every bill, colleagues said - and a firebrand who grew disillusioned by the moderate leanings of his party near the end of his legislative career.

"John had the finest grasp of legislative knowledge of anyone I'd worked with," said former Rep. Sheehan Donoghue, who served with Shabaz in the 1970s and '80s.

Thompson said Shabaz had memorized the legislative rule book and was able to use his knowledge to thwart Democratic legislation he believed was wrong or would increase regulation or taxation.

"He was an extremely intelligent, hard-working, highly ethical and wonderful person," said the former governor, now campaigning for the U.S. Senate. "He cared deeply about our country, our state and the law."

As a jurist, Shabaz presided over an efficient and fast-moving court - it became known as the "rocket docket" - where he expected attorneys to arrive on time and be prepared.

"He was a firm, tough judge who treated the prosecution and defense the same," said John Vaudreuil, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, who argued hundreds of cases before Shabaz.

"He worked very hard, he listened to what you said, he always read what you wrote, and he was decisive."

Shabaz was known to admonish attorneys he didn't think knew what they were doing, or, worse, those seeking extensions - though some of his rebukes were more funny than biting.

When Vaudreuil asked for a delay in 1984 so he could go on his honeymoon, Shabaz told him, "I thought I gave you a continuance for that last year."

Shabaz's death prompted statements of condolences from around the state.

"The entire court family is saddened by the news of Judge Shabaz's passing," Chief Judge William M. Conley said on the U.S. District Court's website Friday. "He left an indelible mark on this Court," Conley said. "No one worked harder than Judge Shabaz."

In addition to his wife, Shabaz is survived by four adult children, Scott, Jeff, Emily and John.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Tom Tolan of the Journal Sentinel staff contributed to this report.

Shabaz in bad health

Associated Press

A court official says veteran U.S. District Judge John Shabaz has serious health problems and his prospects for returning to the bench in Madison are uncertain.

Shabaz, 77, has been on medical leave for most of this year.

Collins T. Fitzpatrick, circuit



Shabaz

executive of the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, said Shabaz has "serious problems." He wouldn't elaborate.

Shabaz announced his intention last year to go to senior

status should his successor be confirmed before President George W. Bush leaves office. Bush named Waukesha County Circuit Judge J. Mac Davis to replace Shabaz in September, but he's unlikely to win confirmation in the Democratic Senate.

Should Shabaz retire after January, President-elect Barack Obama will fill the opening.

U.S. courthouse tries to stay on top of things as Shabaz remains on leave

Kevin Murphy
Correspondent for The Capital Times
July 17, 2008

A part-time federal magistrate here has recently resigned and a federal judge from Illinois has been designated to handle some of the caseload while District Judge John Shabaz continues on medical leave.

District Judge Barbara Crabb said Judge Philip Reinhard, of the Northern District of Illinois, will preside over settlement conferences in some civil lawsuits beginning today through the end of the year.

Reinhard's assistance was requested not because of Shabaz's continued absence but because Theresa M. Owens resigned effective July 7 as clerk of court and part-time magistrate judge for District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin. Owens became chief deputy clerk in July 2003 and was appointed a part-time magistrate in March 2004. She was recently reappointed to another four-year term as magistrate.

Joel Turner has become the interim clerk of court until Owens' replacement can be hired. No plans have been made regarding the part-time magistrate vacancy, said Turner, who said he didn't know what is Owens' next position after leaving office here.

Crabb said she had no information regarding Shabaz's health status or when he would return to work. Shabaz took a two-month medical leave in February to recover from impending shoulder surgery, but Crabb said she didn't know why Shabaz hasn't yet returned to the bench.

"I've talked to him a couple of times. He's feeling a lot less pain now than before," she said.

Crabb said she thinks Shabaz, 76, wants to return to work but declined comment on why he hasn't worked from home while on leave. Asked if Shabaz can just return to work or needs to first submit to some review process, Crabb said to ask Shabaz.

A message left for Shabaz about his plans to return to work wasn't immediately returned.

Shabaz announced last fall that he would seek senior or semi-retired status if the U.S. Senate could confirm President Bush's nomination for his successor before Bush leaves office in January.

A call to U.S. Sen. Herb Kohl, D-Wis., a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, regarding the status of the selection process wasn't immediately returned.

Judge Reinhard will be "a great help," said Crabb, who wouldn't rule out a larger role for the Rockford judge if Shabaz continues on leave.

However, Reinhard won't be hearing any criminal cases, as his son, David Reinhard, has been an assistant U.S. attorney here for several years.

Reinhard also is on senior status and may not be available to work some winter months, Crabb said.

In Shabaz's absence, half of the district's civil caseload has been assigned to Magistrate Stephen Crocker. Other accommodations include arranging for District Judge William Griesbach from Green Bay to hear two weeks of trials while Crabb was on vacation last month. Griesbach wasn't needed as all the cases settled before trial.

Crabb spent more time working while on vacation but said cases continue to move through court at a satisfactory pace.

"We're not closing (cases) as fast as we can with two judges, but we're holding our own, but we won't be on top of the list (of cases disposed) this year," she said.

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Our views

Reforming court races

U.S. District Judge John Shabaz was right, of course, to rule that Wisconsin judicial candidates should have broad leeway with regard to what they say during campaigns.

Shabaz has wisely barred two regulatory agencies, the Wisconsin Judicial Commission and the state Office of Lawyer Regulation, from punishing judicial candidates who answer surveys produced by Wisconsin Right to Life and labor unions.

So long as they do not make "promises, pledges or commitments" to rule a certain way, the federal judge determined, judicial candidates should be free to state their opinions about controversial issues.

That standard is an appropriate one, and it should have been applied long ago.

Everyone knows that judicial candidates have far more flexibility to speak than they let on. The Code of Judicial Conduct does not ban reasonable comment and debate.

But judicial candidates like to keep voters in the dark. They and their supporters can run expensive campaigns that attack their foes while failing to offer useful information.

That scenario played out in April, as both candidates for the high court and their supporters ran bitter, off-putting campaigns that left voters confused and disappointed. Predictably, the candidate with the most money, Washington County Judge Annette Ziegler, steamrolled her way to victory in what was essentially an empty campaign.

Ziegler, it turned out, had big ethical problems, which have required her to pay a large fine and which remain under investigation.

Ziegler's election confirms the need for reforms that will make judicial contests more open, more honest and more realistic.

The ruling by Shabaz helps that process along. But it is surely not a complete fix.

Strict limits need to be placed on campaign fundraising and spending for court races. Better systems for setting up debates need to be developed, hopefully by the League of Women Voters rather than the corporate-sponsored "We the People" consortium. And Ziegler needs to be fully held to account for lying to the voters during the course of her disreputable campaign.

Relating to the life and public service of John C. Shabaz

Whereas, former Representative John Shabaz was born in Milwaukee on June 25, 1931, and died in Waunakee on August 31, 2012; and

Whereas, John Shabaz grew up in West Allis, where he graduated from Nathan Hale High School; continued his education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison; served in the United States Army from 1954 to 1956; completed a degree at Marquette Law School in 1957; and joined his father's law practice in West Allis; and

Whereas, John Shabaz was active in the Lions and Jaycees, and in 1965 was named one of Wisconsin Jaycees' "Five Outstanding Young Men in Wisconsin"; and

Whereas, John Shabaz was first elected to the Wisconsin Assembly from the 83rd Assembly District in the 1964 general election and served until he resigned on December 18, 1981; and

Whereas, John Shabaz rose to party leadership in the Assembly, including Assistant Majority Leader in the 1969 legislative session; Assistant Minority Leader in 1971; and Minority Leader in 1973, 1975, 1977, 1979, and 1981; and

Whereas, President Ronald Reagan nominated John Shabaz to the United States District Court for the Western District of Wisconsin on November 4, 1981, with confirmation by the United States Senate on December 9, 1981, and commissioning as a judge on December 10, 1981; and

Whereas, John Shabaz served as chief judge of that court from 1996 to 2001, and assumed senior status on January 20, 2009; and

Whereas, John Shabaz enjoyed spending time swimming, boating, and fishing at Okauchee Lake; walking the beach while vacationing at Highland Beach, Florida; and playing sheephead with clubs in West Allis and Madison; and

Whereas, John Shabaz enjoyed personal friendships with members of both political parties, now, therefore be it

Resolved that the Senate, the Assembly concurring, salutes John Shabaz's public service and mourns his/her passing; and be it further

Resolved, that the Senate Chief Clerk shall provide copies of this joint resolution to his wife Patricia, and his children Scott, Jeff, Emily, and John.



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