

State of Wisconsin



2017 Senate Joint Resolution 49

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: honoring the life and public service of Rachel Ann Veum.

Whereas, Rachel Ann (Heller) Veum was born December 1, 1970, and passed away on October 10, 2016, at the young age of forty-five. She was the loving daughter of David and Jean (Heller) Dallman, wife of Eric T. Veum, mother of Samantha and Andrew, and daughter-in-law of Thomas and the late Gladys Veum. She also had many other loving relatives and friends; and

Whereas, after graduating from Edgerton High School in 1989, Rachel attended Madison Business College where she received an associate's degree. Rachel began her long career in the legislature at the Legislative Council in April 1991 and worked there until February 1993. She then served in the Office of the Assembly Chief Clerk from February 1993 to June 1997, where she also served as an assistant in the Legislative Human Resources Office. Rachel returned to the Legislative Council in July 1997 and worked there until July 2006 when she joined the Senate Chief Clerk's Office, where she worked until 2016. Rachel was a loyal, trusted, and dedicated member of the office and proudly worked as the office manager and records and forms management specialist; and

Whereas, Rachel cherished and loved spending time with family, planning trips, traveling to new locations to ride ATVs as a family, and hosting parties at the house, and she was very involved with Samantha's and Andrew's sports and other activities, such as being part of Samantha's prom and becoming a den mother for the Boy Scouts and a member of the High School Booster Club and Sun Prairie Youth Lacrosse Club. She loved to travel and shared business trips with Eric and enjoyed weekend girls' trips with her childhood friends and scrapbooking get-togethers. Weekends were shared with family and friends and dogs Lucy and newest member Jazmine; and

Whereas, Rachel loved her job. Her presence under and around this big beautiful dome of the state capitol will be deeply missed. Rachel loved the energy the capitol brought, especially during session, and enjoyed working with the senators, staff, and support agencies. She loved it when they stopped by her office to work, visit, or just say hello, and she loved stepping away for lunch with friends; and

Whereas, Rachel's smile and her contagious laughter were always present. She cherished looking after everyone in the loving and caring way that she had. She treasured the friendships formed during her lifetime, and she touched so many lives along her journey. Rachel has left us with many beautiful moments and memories. Words cannot express how deeply Rachel will be missed; and

Whereas, Rachel always had a positive outlook: from the moment she was diagnosed with cancer in June 2015, she fought with strength and fierceness, and with the love and support of her family and many friends, she never wavered. She was an inspiration to us all—she was Super Rachel; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin Legislature do hereby commend the life of, and career of, Rachel Ann Veum; offer their deepest condolences to Rachel's family, friends, and colleagues; and celebrate the legacy that Rachel leaves behind.

Representative Robin J. Vos
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Roger Roth
President of the Senate

Date

Jeffrey Renk
Senate Chief Clerk