



## 2017 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 17

March 9, 2017 - Introduced by Senators C. LARSON, DARLING, L. TAYLOR, NASS, RISSER, HANSEN, MILLER, VINEHOUT and RINGHAND, cosponsored by Representatives SINICKI, BARCA, BROSTOFF, SKOWRONSKI, JAGLER, ZEPNICK, KESSLER, E. BROOKS, MASON, MURPHY, ANDERSON, BERCEAU, POPE, VRUWINK, CROWLEY, RIPP, YOUNG, HESSELBEIN and WACHS. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1     **Relating to:** the life and public service of Richard A. Grobschmidt.

2             Whereas, Richard A. Grobschmidt was born on May 3, 1948, and died on July  
3     23, 2016; and

4             Whereas, Richard A. Grobschmidt, scion of a family long dedicated to public  
5     service, similarly devoted his life to the betterment of the city of South Milwaukee  
6     and the state of Wisconsin; and

7             Whereas, after graduating from South Milwaukee High School in 1966 and  
8     obtaining his Bachelors of Science degree in Secondary Education from the  
9     University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh in 1972, he returned to South Milwaukee High as  
10    a teacher; and

11            Whereas, Grobschmidt obtained his Masters Degree in Curriculum and  
12    Instruction from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee in 1979; and

13            Whereas, his interest in public affairs and public service led him to successfully  
14    seek election to the Wisconsin Assembly in 1984, where he was a member of the

1 Education Committee from 1985 to 1995, serving as chairperson during the 1993  
2 session, and the Committee on Aging and Long-Term Care; and

3 Whereas, Grobschmidt was elected to the Wisconsin Senate in a special election  
4 in November 1995, serving on the Senate Education Committee from 1996 to 2003,  
5 and as chairperson of that committee from 1999 to 2003; and

6 Whereas, he was known in his many years in the legislature as a consensus  
7 builder, a bipartisan worker, and a tireless servant to his constituents; now,  
8 therefore, be it

9 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the members of the  
10 Wisconsin Legislature salute Richard A. Grobschmidt, acknowledge his tremendous  
11 record of public service, and mourn his passing; and, be it further

12 ***Resolved, That*** the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this resolution to  
13 Richard Grobschmidt's wife of 47 years, Barbara, to his father, Chester, and to his  
14 daughter, Tamara.

15 (END)