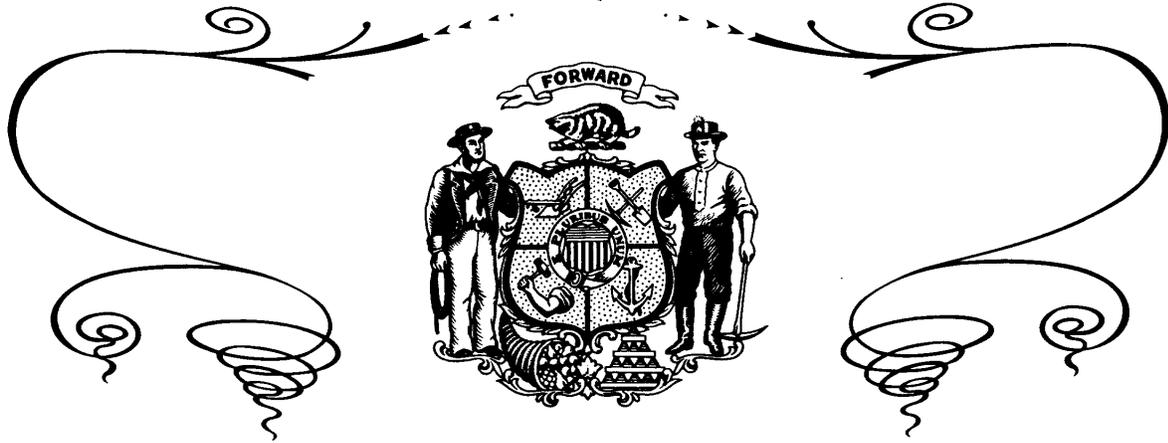


State of Wisconsin



1995 Assembly Joint Resolution 47

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: proclaiming the Merrimac Ferry an official sesquicentennial landmark.

Whereas, during 1848 the Wisconsin territorial legislature granted a charter to Chester Matson, one of the earlier settlers at Merrimac, to operate a ferry across the Wisconsin River; and

Whereas, during 1974 the ferry was registered in the National Register of Historic Places; and

Whereas, the Merrimac Ferry is one of the 5 ferries operating in this state, although at one time more than 500 were in operation; and

Whereas, the Merrimac Ferry is the only free ferry in the Midwest; and

Whereas, the ferry is an example of a kind of transportation that is historically significant and rare; and

Whereas, each year thousands of persons enjoy a leisurely and beautiful ride on the ferry across this state's most significant river; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin legislature designates the Merrimac Ferry an official sesquicentennial landmark.

Senator Brian D. Rude
President of the Senate

Representative David T. Prosser, Jr.
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Charles R. Sanders
Assembly Chief Clerk