

1999 Assembly Joint Resolution 118

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the life and public service of John R. Devitt.

Whereas, John R. Devitt was born in Milwaukee on August 13, 1917, and died in Milwaukee on January 31, 2000; and

Whereas, John R. Devitt graduated from Holy Rosary Grade School, Marquette University High School, Marquette University and Marquette Law School; and

Whereas, he began practicing law in Milwaukee in 1941; and

Whereas, he was elected to serve in the 1945 Wisconsin assembly, where he was a member of the Judiciary Committee; and

Whereas, as a member of the assembly, he demonstrated a particular interest in issues surrounding the organization of local government; and

Whereas, immediately after the assembly adjourned in June 1945, he departed for army training; and

Whereas, he received a special leave from the army to return to Wisconsin for the July 1946 special session of the legislature; and

Whereas, after his discharge from the army, he returned to his law practice; and

Whereas, in 1955, John Devitt was appointed to the county legal office, beginning many years of valuable service to Milwaukee County; and

Whereas, his life was marked by continued devotion to his church, his party and his late wife, Elizabeth; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature salute the life and public service of John R. Devitt and mourn his passing; and, be it further

Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to John's son, Neal.

Senator Fred A. Risser
President of the Senate

Representative Scott R. Jensen
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Charles R. Sanders
Assembly Chief Clerk