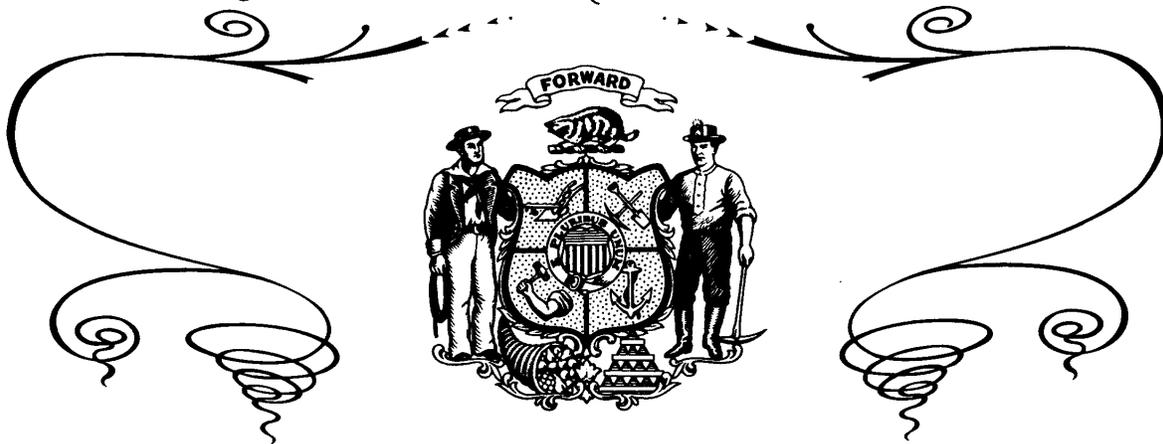


State of Wisconsin



2015 Assembly Joint Resolution 41

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: honoring the life and contributions of David Duax.

Whereas, David Duax was born in Eau Claire on February 1, 1944, and passed away on April 17, 2015; and

Whereas, he graduated from Eau Claire Memorial in 1962, where he participated in debate and won third place at the Little Nationals Debate Tournament; and

Whereas, he earned a B.S. in Political Science from UW–Eau Claire, where he also served on the Student Senate and as the chair of the 10th District Young Republicans; and

Whereas, he later attended the University of Wisconsin Law School; and

Whereas, in 1972 David Duax ran for state assembly at the age of 28; and

Whereas, David served on the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors from 1974–1983, and served for a period of time as chair; and

Whereas, in 1980 he was appointed by Governor Lee Dreyfus to be the first chairman of the Governor’s Task Force on County Government Organization and Administration; and

Whereas, David held a number of different positions in the administration of Governor Tommy Thompson between 1987 and 1994, including overseeing the Ethan Allen School for Boys and the Lincoln Hills Detention Center; and

Whereas, he was named the administrator of the State Division of Youth Services in 1989; and

Whereas, he later served as Director of Development and Communication at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire; and

Whereas, he was a member of the Eau Claire City Council since 2005 and had recently been reelected to another term; and

Whereas, in 2008 he authored the city-wide smoking ban ordinance, which when passed made Eau Claire the fifth city in Wisconsin to go smoke-free; and

Whereas, he created and chaired the Joint Committee of Shared Services, which brought together the Eau Claire Area School Board, the county board, and city government; and

Whereas, David was a strong supporter of aviation and the Chippewa Valley Regional Airport, served on the Chippewa Valley Airport Commission, and also served as the President of the Wisconsin Aviation Hall of Fame; and

Whereas, David admired "Fighting Bob" La Follette and emulated his progressive service; and

Whereas, he had a great respect for those he worked with and, at times, disagreed with, bringing a sense of civility to government that others admired; and

Whereas, his thoughtful and unique participation in city council meetings will be fondly remembered by the people who served with him; and

Whereas, David was husband to Kathryn and was stepfather to two children; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature salutes David Duax's public service; and, be it further

Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to his wife Kathryn.

Senator Mary Lazich
President of the Senate

Representative Robin J. Vos
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Patrick E. Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk