



1999 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 16

September 28, 1999 – Introduced by Representative HEBL. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** the life and public service of Wilbur Renk.

2 Whereas, Wilbur Renk fell ill at his family’s 100-year-old farmhouse and died
3 on September 4, 1999, in Madison, Wisconsin; and

4 Whereas, Mr. Renk was a lifelong resident of Sun Prairie and a graduate of the
5 University of Wisconsin; and

6 Whereas, Mr. Renk spent his entire life serving the people of Wisconsin in
7 various ways, including serving as president of the University of Wisconsin Board
8 of Regents from 1958-59; and

9 Whereas, together with his father and brother, Mr. Renk started a hybrid seed
10 business that helped farmers across rural Wisconsin produce the finest quality crops
11 that are the symbol of America’s Dairyland; and

12 Whereas, this seed company is famous to this day, as farmers across the world
13 proudly display its famous sign, a yellow “R” coming out of a red background with the
14 name Renk below it; and

