



2009 SENATE RESOLUTION 7

June 17, 2009 – Introduced by Senator KAPANKE. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming June 28, 2009 as Dr. Michael S. Garrity Day.

2 Whereas, Dr. Garrity practiced medicine for 40 years in Prairie du Chien, first
3 at Farrell Clinic, becoming president in 1979, and then joining Gundersen–Ferrell;
4 and

5 Whereas, during that time he delivered over 1,600 babies; and

6 Whereas, when the practice changed its name to Gundersen Lutheran Clinic
7 he continued to serve patients there and ultimately took leadership roles in
8 Gundersen Lutheran as chairman of Gundersen Regional Clinics, chairman of
9 family practice for Gundersen Lutheran, serving on the board of directors, and as the
10 hospital’s chief of staff; and

11 Whereas, in recognition of his wealth of knowledge, his service as a delegate to
12 the Wisconsin Medical Society, and his compassionate care and dedication to his
13 patients, he was named “Gundersen Lutheran Physician of the Year” in 1992; and

14 Whereas, Dr. Garrity is an active member of the community with direct
15 involvement in developing the rescue squad for Prairie du Chien, membership in the

1 Pioneers Club of the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, and as a charter member
2 of the Prairie du Chien Historical Society; and

3 Whereas, Dr. Garrity retired in 2000, but continues to be an active member of
4 his community, demonstrating tireless dedication to noble causes such as the
5 American International Health Alliance program involving numerous overseas trips
6 to serve the most needy in Ukraine and as a volunteer physician at St. Claire Free
7 Clinic in La Crosse; and

8 Whereas, we are honored to have a doctor of such exemplary stature in our
9 state; now, therefore, be it

10 ***Resolved by the senate, That*** June 28, 2009 is Dr. Michael S. Garrity Day.

11 (END)