



2005 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 51

September 9, 2005 – Introduced by Representatives KESTELL and OTT, cosponsored by Senators LEIBHAM and A. LASEE. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** the life and public service of Wilfrid J. Turba.

2 Whereas, Wilfrid J. Turba will always be remembered as a devoted family man,
3 hard-working farmer, dedicated member of the community, and a valued voice in
4 numerous local and statewide organizations; and

5 Whereas, Wilfrid J. Turba was born in the town of Russell, Sheboygan County,
6 on January 18, 1928, and died peacefully on August 18, 2005, at the age of 77 on the
7 property that was settled by his great-great grandfather; and

8 Whereas, Wilfrid J. Turba was a 1945 graduate of New Holstein High School
9 and was a Wisconsin farmer all his life. He devoted 33 years to 4-H as a general
10 leader and was very active in the Farm Bureau, both locally and on the Wisconsin
11 State Board of Directors. Wilfrid also served on the state board of the Department
12 of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection; and

13 Whereas, Wilfrid J. Turba served as a member and president of the New
14 Holstein School Board for 21 years. In addition, he was an active member of St. Ann's
15 Catholic Church and a member of the Catholic Knights, Branch 223; and

1 Whereas, Wilfrid J. Turba was elected to the Wisconsin state assembly in 1981
2 and honorably represented the 27th Assembly District during the 1982–1992
3 legislative sessions. During his time in the state assembly, he was known for his
4 ability to work with all sides on legislative issues, always putting the interests of his
5 constituents first; and

6 Whereas, Wilfrid J. Turba married his first wife, Leona (Boll) on May 2, 1950,
7 who preceded him in death on December 28, 1995; and

8 Whereas, on December 30, 1996, Wilfrid J. Turba married Mary Jane
9 Fellenz–Brunmeier. She survives him along with her 2 daughters, Mary Hansen and
10 Sharon Anhalt; and

11 Whereas, Wilfrid J. Turba is further survived by his 9 children, 4 sons, James
12 (Jean Tyrell) Turba of Minooka, Ill., Jerry (Judy) Turba of DePere, Michael (Patricia)
13 Turba of Platteville, and David (Annika) Turba of Elkhart Lake; 5 daughters, Mary
14 (Mark) Finger of Luxemburg, Sister Anne Turba, O.S.F., of Manitowoc, Dr. Rose
15 Turba (Dan Kiernan) of Green Bay, Joan Turba of Green Bay, and Judy Turba of
16 Green Bay; 19 grandchildren; 2 brothers, Robert (Doris) Turba of New Holstein and
17 Kenneth (Lydia) Turba of Elkhart Lake; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins, and
18 many friends; and

19 Whereas, Wilfrid J. Turba will always remain a loving husband, father, and
20 grandfather in the hearts of his family members; now, therefore, be it

21 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the members of the
22 Wisconsin state legislature recognize the life accomplishments of Wilfrid J. Turba
23 and commend his devoted public service, express their sorrow at his passing, and
24 extend their sincere condolences to his family and friends; and, be it further

