



## 2007 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 87

January 7, 2008 - Introduced by Representatives BLACK, WIECKERT and POPE-ROBERTS, cosponsored by Senators RISSER and ERPENBACH. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1     **Relating to:** the life and public service of Jane R. Henkel.

2             Whereas, Jane R. Henkel was born on March 21, 1942, in Madison, Wisconsin,  
3     and died on December 11, 2007, in Madison; and

4             Whereas, she graduated from Wisconsin High School in Madison and then  
5     graduated from the University of Wisconsin in 1964 with a degree in mathematics;  
6     and

7             Whereas, Ms. Henkel was employed as a computer programmer at the National  
8     Accelerator Lab/Physical Science Lab and then at the University of Wisconsin  
9     Computing Center; and

10            Whereas, she later attended the University of Wisconsin Law School, serving  
11     on the Wisconsin Law Review and graduating cum laude in 1973; and

12            Whereas, Ms. Henkel began work for the Legislative Council Staff in November  
13     1976 and served in the capacities of Staff Attorney, Senior Staff Attorney, Deputy  
14     Director, and Acting Director until her retirement in January 2000; and

1           Whereas, many legislators and legislative staff benefited from her perceptive  
2 analyses of complex issues, including the performance of crucial staff work in helping  
3 to develop statutes relating to school district boundary changes, open enrollment,  
4 truancy, public libraries, alcohol beverage laws, educational communications  
5 technology, and many other subjects; and

6           Whereas, Ms. Henkel also served as legal counsel to the Joint Committee on  
7 Employment Relations; and

8           Whereas, Jane R. Henkel served as a teacher and mentor for many at the  
9 Legislative Council Staff and served as an excellent example of a hard-working,  
10 dedicated public servant who provides high quality service to the legislature; now,  
11 therefore, be it

12           ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the members of the  
13 Wisconsin legislature commend the devoted public service that Jane R. Henkel  
14 contributed to this state, express their sorrow at her death, and extend their  
15 condolences to her family and friends; and be it further

16           ***Resolved, That*** the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint  
17 resolution to Jane R. Henkel’s husband, James Henkel, of Fitchburg, Wisconsin.

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