



State of Wisconsin  
2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

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## 2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 11

February 5, 2015 - Introduced by Senators HANSEN, COWLES, WIRCH, ROTH, SHILLING, ERPENBACH, MILLER, CARPENTER, VINEHOUT, MARKLEIN, LASSA and OLSEN, cosponsored by Representatives GENRICH, MACCO, KAHL, SPIROS, MASON, DANOU, VORPAGEL, MILROY, STEFFEN, SINICKI, POPE, A. OTT, OHNSTAD, BERCEAU, JORGENSEN and SUBECK. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1     **Relating to:** the life and public service of Jerry Van Sistine.

2             Whereas, former state senator Jerry Van Sistine was born on August 16, 1926,  
3     in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and died on January 20, 2015, at the age of 88 after a long  
4     battle with Alzheimer's disease; and

5             Whereas, Jerry graduated from West De Pere High School, served his country  
6     for three years during World War II in the United States Navy, and then enrolled at  
7     the University of Wisconsin-Platteville, where he earned a Bachelor of Science  
8     degree; and

9             Whereas, Jerry married Joan Kaufman, who preceded him in death in 1985,  
10     and then later married Karen Bauknecht, who provided constant care and support  
11     through his journey with Alzheimer's; and

12             Whereas, Jerry taught school for two years and then entered the construction  
13     business, where he was a foreman for 25 years with Selmer Construction; and

