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**ENGROSSED RESOLUTION**

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**Relating to:** the life and times of Chief Benjamin Winneshiek of the Ho–Chunk Nation.

Whereas, Benjamin W. Winneshiek was born in Dells Dam, Clark County, Wisconsin, on February 22, 1917, and died on May 5, 1998; and

Whereas, he proudly served as the traditional Tribal Chief of the Ho–Chunk Nation and made his home on the Indian Mission in Black River Falls, Wisconsin; and

Whereas, he attended the Neilsville Indian School and throughout his life worked with our natural resources in harvesting Christmas trees, sphagnum moss, cranberries and pulpwood; and

Whereas, he served his country in the United States Army from 1940 to 1945 and participated in the New Guinea campaign and in the Papua, Leyte and Luzon campaigns in the Philippines; and

Whereas, he was the last tribal survivor of the Wisconsin 32nd Red Arrow Division and was awarded the Bronze Star for his bravery and actions during World War II; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved by the assembly, That** the members of the Wisconsin assembly recognize the years of service of Chief Benjamin Winneshiek and note their appreciation for the contributions that he made to his people in the Ho–Chunk Nation, express their sorrow at his death and extend their condolences to his family and friends; and, be it further

**Resolved, That** the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this resolution to his daughters; Paula, Annie, Sadie and Rachael Winneshiek and Eunice Wamego; and to his sons; Clayton Winneshiek and Howard Swallow.

State Capitol  
Madison, Wisconsin

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Representative Scott R. Jensen  
Speaker of the Assembly

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Date

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Charles R. Sanders  
Assembly Chief Clerk