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Kennedy, Debora

From: Wittwer, Jake
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 1999 2:57 PM
To: Kennedy, Debora
Subject: FW: Bill

I am forwarding an Assembly Resolution that Sarah's staffer found that recognizes a day of each year.

-----Original Message-----

From: Kuhn, Jamie
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 1999 2:52 PM
To: Wittwer, Jake
Subject: RE: Bill

Here is a bill that recognizes a day of each year

LRB-3224/I

PJD:jlg:jf

1999 - 2000 LEGISLATURE

1999 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 11

June 21, 1999 - Introduced by Representative MUSSER. Referred to Committee on Rules.

Relating to: designating August 16 of each year as National Airborne Day.

Whereas, the Parachute Test Platoon was authorized by the War Department on June 25, 1940, to experiment with the potential use of airborne troops; and Whereas, the Parachute Test Platoon was composed of 48 volunteers who began training in July 1940; and

Whereas, the Parachute Test Platoon performed the first official Army parachute jump on August 16, 1940; and

Whereas, the success of the Parachute Test Platoon led to the formation of a large and successful airborne contingent serving from World War II until the present; and

Whereas, the 82nd Airborne Division was the first airborne division that was organized following the successes of the Parachute Test Platoon and the early airborne training program and has continued in active service since its creation; and Whereas, the 82nd Airborne Division Association exists to continue and foster that special esprit de corps among fellow paratroopers, to perpetuate the memory of

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-----Original Message-----

From: Wittwer, Jake
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 1999 2:36 PM
To: Kuhn, Jamie
Subject: Bill

You might send a brief e-mail to Mary Gibson-Glass at LRB informing her that the hunting and fishing issuing fees bill has been **OK'd** and is being sent by inter-D.

Also, Debra Kennedy of LRB is working on the proclamation for benefits specialist day. She's checking into whether or not permanent "days" are kosher (isn't there one for that Norwegian Holiday that they celebrate in Stoughton?).

Drafting Instructions Memo

To: Debora Kennedy, Managing Attorney, Legislative Reference Bureau

From: Rep. Sarah Waukau

Drafting Contact: Jamie Kuhn, Rep. Waukau's Office, 7-7694

Date: August 10, 1999

Re: Establish a Standing Date to be Proclaimed "Benefit Specialist Day"

This legislation is being introduced at the request of the Wisconsin Association of Benefits Specialists. Please indicate this in the co-sponsorship line.

Each year, the Wisconsin Association of Benefits Specialists requests that the Governor declare a certain day to be "Benefit Specialist Day." This legislation would establish a permanent standing date, the second Thursday of July, to be "Benefit Specialist Day." The purpose of this day is to recognize the contributions that elderly benefits specialists make to the well-being of seniors throughout our state. This day would bring attention to the special work that these professionals do in our communities every day for many of society's most vulnerable members. Specifically, benefit specialists provide information, assistance and representation regarding a wide variety of benefit issues and elder rights topics, and help older residents cut through bureaucratic red tape. Finally, establishing a standing date for the day would draw attention to services available to elderly citizens, and result in more seniors accessing these services through the office of their local benefits specialist.



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the people of the State of Wisconsin respect and value our older residents and their accomplishments; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's Aging Network includes a variety of programs designed to provide specific services and benefits for older Wisconsin residents and that the Benefit Specialist Program is one of several cornerstone programs within the Aging Network; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin's Benefit Network Specialist Programs provide information, assistance and representation regarding a wide variety of benefit issues and elder rights topics as well as helping Wisconsin's older residents cut through related red tape; and

WHEREAS, these Benefit Specialist Program services are offered free of charge through County and Tribal Units on Aging and are supported by legal back-up provided through Area Agencies on Aging, and all services are coordinated by Wisconsin's Bureau on Aging and Long Term Care Resources; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Association of Benefit Specialists acknowledges the need for the services provided through Wisconsin's Benefit Specialist Programs; and

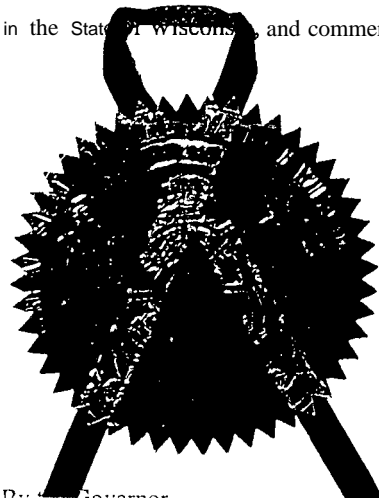
WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Association of Benefit Specialists have experience and knowledge of the needs of older residents; and

WHEREAS, one primary responsibility of all Aging Network units in Wisconsin, and specifically the Benefit Specialist Program, is to provide information to the public about benefits, services, options and legal rights for older Wisconsin residents;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, TOMMY G. THOMPSON, Governor of the State of Wisconsin do hereby proclaim July 8, 1998

BENEFIT SPECIALIST DAY

in the State of Wisconsin, and commend this observance to the citizens of this state.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this twenty-first day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred ninety-eight.


TOMMY G. THOMPSON

WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF BENEFIT SPECIALISTS

"ADVOCATES FOR THE ELDERLY"

June 2, 1999

Representative Sarah Waukau
State Capitol
P.O. Box 8953
Madison WI 53708

Sarah,

Dear Representative Waukau,

Thank you very much for your interest in the Wisconsin Association of Benefit Specialists (WABS) request for an annual Benefit Specialist Day. As you know, our association has tried for several years to have a "standing date" proclaimed as Benefit Specialist Day. Thus far, we have been successful in obtaining our proclamation, but only on a year-to-year basis. I have enclosed a copy of the 1998 Proclamation signed by Governor Thompson for your review.

Your staff member, **Tammy**, asked if WABS could provide a specific date that we would prefer for consideration as Benefit Specialist Day. Quite truthfully, our association would be pleased with whichever date is selected. However, July 8th would be consistent with 1998, and would be very timely in relation to our annual WABS conference (which is always held the third week in June.) An announcement of July 8th at our June WABS Conference allows members a few weeks to plan activities highlighting the event in individual counties.

I thank you in advance for your assistance with this matter, and look forward to hearing from you soon. I can be reached at 920-674-8135 if you require any further clarification.

Yours truly,

Denise

Denise L. Grossman, Secretary
Wisconsin Association of Benefit Specialists

cc: WABS Executive Board Members



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~~PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION~~

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enact
AN ACT *enact*; relating to: designation of a date as "Benefit Specialist Day".

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill designates the second Thursday in July as "Benefit Specialist Day" and requires that the governor issue annually a suitable proclamation for the observance of the day.

For further information *see* the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

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SECTION 1. 14.16 (10) of the statutes is created to read:

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14.16 (10) BENEFIT SPECIALIST DAY. To recognize the contribution that elderly

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benefit specialists make throughout this state to the well-being of senior citizens,

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many of whom are society's most vulnerable members, the ^{2nd} ~~second~~ Thursday in July

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is designated "Benefit Specialist Day". The governor shall issue annually a suitable

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proclamation for the observance of "Benefit Specialist Day".

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