

1999 Assembly Joint Resolution 6

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: petitioning the U.S. Postal Service and the U.S. Congress to establish a 1st class postage stamp entitled "Game Warden" to honor our nation's conservation wardens, past and present.

Whereas, conservation wardens were some of the earlier conservation officials appointed in the states, territories and other governmental units in the United States, and were empowered to enforce natural resource regulations and to protect the natural resources of this great country; and

Whereas, since the beginning of this country, conservation wardens in the United States have provided an invaluable service by protecting and conserving our natural resources for all citizens, present and future; and

Whereas, in spite of limited authority and regulatory statutes, conservation wardens of this nation have shown great courage and have sacrificed their health, families and lives in the performance of their duties; and

Whereas, conservation wardens have conscientiously performed their duties without always having safe, adequate equipment and without receiving pay comparable to other persons who enforce our laws or protect our natural resources; and

Whereas, in the face of ridicule, adversity and apathy, conservation wardens have stood resolute against the uncontrolled use of our natural resources by promoting conservation awareness in the United States; and

Whereas, conservation wardens showed the need for more scientific natural resources management practices, more efficient state and federal protective agencies and better regulation to protect the natural resources of our country and have helped to bring about those things; and

Whereas, the position of conservation warden has been a proud profession rather than just a job; and

Whereas, the state of Wisconsin, through its elected officials, has always supported its conservation wardens; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature request the U.S. Postal Service to establish a 1st class postage stamp entitled "Game Warden" that depicts a uniformed conservation warden to honor past and present conservation wardens for their unfailing, conscientious dedication to preserving the natural resources of this great country; and, be it further

Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to Postmaster General William J. Henderson and to each member of this state's congressional delegation.

Senator Fred A. Risser President of the Senate	Representative Scott R. Jensen Speaker of the Assembly
Date	Charles R. Sanders Assembly Chief Clerk