## 1999 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 62

2	Whereas, Gaylord Nelson was born on June 4, 1916, in Clear Lake, Wisconsin;
3	and
4	Whereas, Gaylord Nelson served his nation honorably during World War II,
5	including service in the Okinawa campaign; and
6	Whereas, Gaylord Nelson served for 10 years in the Wisconsin state senate; and
7	Whereas, Gaylord Nelson served 2 terms as governor of Wisconsin; and
8	Whereas, Gaylord Nelson represented the state of Wisconsin in the United
9	States senate for 18 years, from 1962 to 1980; and
10	Whereas, Gaylord Nelson was responsible for legislation creating the national
11	trail system, the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, and the St. Croix Wild and
12	Scenic Riverway; and
13	Whereas, Gaylord Nelson founded Earth Day in 1970, an achievement
14	described by American Heritage magazine as "one of the most remarkable
15	happenings in the history of democracy"; and

**Relating to:** honoring the life and service of Gaylord Nelson.

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resolution to Gaylord Nelson.

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Whereas, Gaylord Nelson has continued to be a national leader on 1 2 environmental issues through his work for 14 years on behalf of the Wilderness 3 Society; and 4 Whereas, Gaylord Nelson has been twice honored by the United Nations, in 5 1982 with the Environmental Leadership award, and on Earth Day 1992 with the 6 Only One Earth award; and Whereas, Gaylord Nelson was honored in 1995 with the Presidential Medal of 7 8 Freedom, the nation's highest civilian award, for his instrumental role in founding 9 Earth Day and inspiring the awareness of environmental issues that was inspired 10 by that event; now, therefore, be it 11 **Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That** the members of the 12 Wisconsin legislature commend Gaylord Nelson for his remarkable life of service to 13 the people of Wisconsin and to the environment of the entire world; and, be it further 14 **Resolved, That** the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint

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