1999 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 118

March 20, 2000 – Introduced by Representative JENSEN, cosponsored by Senator RISSER. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: the life and public service of John R. Devitt.
2	Whereas, John R. Devitt was born in Milwaukee on August 13, 1917, and died
3	in Milwaukee on January 31, 2000; and
4	Whereas, John R. Devitt graduated from Holy Rosary Grade School, Marquette
5	University High School, Marquette University and Marquette Law School; and
6	Whereas, he began practicing law in Milwaukee in 1941; and
7	Whereas, he was elected to serve in the 1945 Wisconsin assembly, where he was
8	a member of the Judiciary Committee; and
9	Whereas, as a member of the assembly, he demonstrated a particular interest
10	in issues surrounding the organization of local government; and
11	Whereas, immediately after the assembly adjourned in June 1945, he departed
12	for army training; and
13	Whereas, he received a special leave from the army to return to Wisconsin for
14	the July 1946 special session of the legislature; and
15	Whereas, after his discharge from the army, he returned to his law practice; and

1	Whereas, in 1955, John Devitt was appointed to the county legal office,
2	beginning many years of valuable service to Milwaukee County; and
3	Whereas, his life was marked by continued devotion to his church, his party and
4	his late wife, Elizabeth; now, therefore, be it
5	Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the
6	Wisconsin legislature salute the life and public service of John R. Devitt and mourn
7	his passing; and, be it further
8	Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
9	resolution to John's son, Neal.
10	(END)