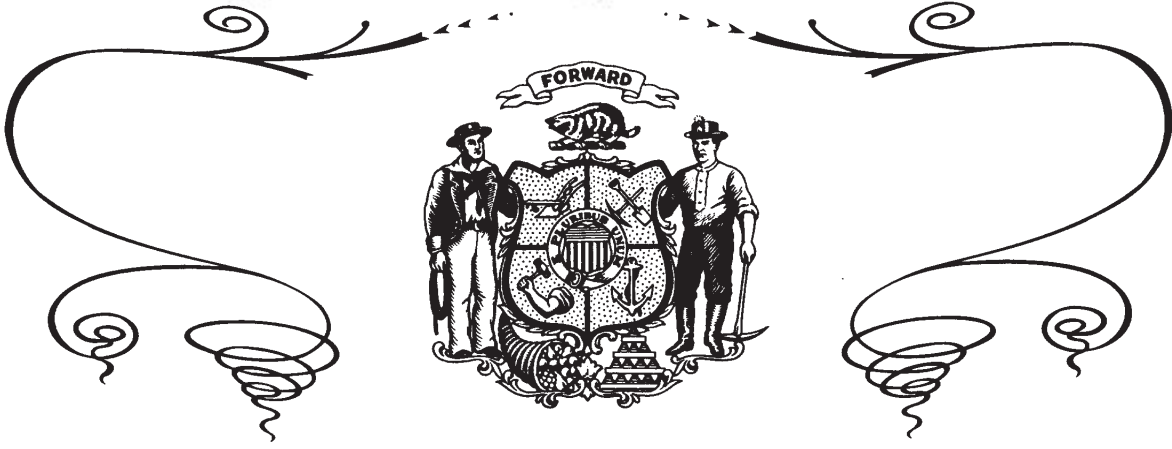


# State of Wisconsin



1999 Senate Joint Resolution 15

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## ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

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**Relating to:** the life and public service of Laurie Carlson.

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson began his life of making the world a better place on January 12, 1908, in Bayfield, Wisconsin; and

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson attended the Northland College, where he was a member of the varsity basketball team and graduated from University of Wisconsin (UW); and

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson was a founder of the Progressive Party of Wisconsin in 1934 and was elected to the Wisconsin state assembly in 1936 where he served 3 terms, as well as serving 4 terms as clerk of courts for Dane County from 1968–76; and

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson was committed to the principles of the Progressive Movement and to the needs of the less fortunate in our society; and

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson was an avid promoter of the winter sport of curling, founding the U.S. Curling Foundation and serving as its first vice president from 1956–60; and

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson was an avid sports lover, supporting football and basketball at UW–Madison and acted as a liaison between the athletic department and the legislature during his 3 terms in the assembly; and

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson entertained many people over his 91 years with his piano music; and

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson founded a number of successful businesses and encouraged the efforts of others to become private entrepreneurs; and

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson's love of community involvement manifested in his charter membership in the Madison Pen & Mike Club, the Madison Press Club, the Elks Club, Masonic Lodge, Zor Shrine, Wisconsin Teacher Union, Musicians Union, Kiwanis Club, Madison Club, and the First Baptist Church of Madison; and

Whereas, Laurie E. Carlson was deeply committed to his wife Helen and their family, and was particularly proud of his 4 children — Maya, Jay, Laurene and Geraldine — and their accomplishments in life; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That** the Wisconsin legislature does hereby commend the life and exemplary public service of Laurie E. Carlson, and extend its sympathies to his children and their families; and, be it further

**Resolved, That** the assembly chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint resolution to each of Mr. Carlson's children.

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Representative Scott R. Jensen  
Speaker of the Assembly

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Senator Fred A. Risser  
President of the Senate

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Date

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Donald J. Schneider  
Senate Chief Clerk