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2	state senate and the department of health and family services.
3	Whereas, Joe Leean was first elected in 1984 to the Wisconsin state senate; and
4	Whereas in 1993, Joe Leean was named cochairman of the powerful Joint
5	Committee on Finance; and
6	Whereas, Joe Leean was appointed to the post of secretary of health and family
7	services in 1995 by Governor Tommy G. Thompson, and held that position until his
8	retirement on March 10, 2001; and
9	Whereas, Joe Leean was the second longest serving secretary of health and
10	family services since the creation of the department in 1967; and
11	Whereas, since becoming secretary of health and family services, Joe Leean has
12	worked on many major new programs, including "BadgerCare," which provides
13	health care for low-income working families, and "Family Care," which is a major

reform of the state's long-term care system; and

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Whereas, Joe Leean has administered Medicaid, the largest program in the
state's budget, as well as many other social programs, including adoption, alcohol
and other drug abuse prevention, child welfare, and programs for the
developmentally disabled; and
Whereas, Joe Leean will continue his public service in Washington, D.C., as a
temporary consultant to the federal Department of Health and Human Services;
now, therefore, be it
Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the legislature of
the state of Wisconsin commends Joe Leean for his years of service to the state of
Wisconsin and wishes him well as he retires from public life; and, be it further
Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint
resolution to Ioo I ocen

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