2001 - 2002 LEGISLATURE

January 2002 Special Session

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 4

1	Relating to: the life and public service of Reino A. Perala.
2	Whereas, Reino A. Perala was born on August 28, 1915, in Maple, Wisconsin,
3	and died on February 25, 2002, in Superior, Wisconsin; and
4	Whereas, Mr. Perala graduated from the Wisconsin School for the Blind and
5	attended the University of Wisconsin from 1938 to 1943, where he earned both his
6	B.A. degree in English and L.L.B. degree from the law school; and
7	Whereas, Mr. Perala practiced law in Superior for more than 50 years, retiring
8	in 1994; and
9	Whereas, on February 2, 1945, he was united in marriage to Elvie Olson; and
10	Whereas, Reino and Elvie recently celebrated 57 years of marriage; and
11	Whereas, Mr. Perala was elected to the Wisconsin assembly in 1952 and served
12	from 1953 until 1969; and
13	Whereas, during his tenure in the assembly, Mr. Perala was one of 2 visually
14	impaired legislators; and

Whereas, at the commencement of Mr. Perala's first session, he was befriended 1 2 by Representative John T. Kostuck, another visually impaired legislator; and 3 Whereas, Mr. Perala served as chairperson of the Committee on Taxation while 4 serving in the assembly; and Whereas, Mr. Perala loved to fish from his cabin on the Brule River and was a 5 6 charter member of the Brule River Sportsmen's Club; and Whereas, Mr. Perala was a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 80, 7 8 and the Superior Elks Lodge 403; now, therefore, be it 9 **Resolved by the assembly, That** the members of the Wisconsin assembly commend the devoted public service that Reino A. Perala contributed to this state, 10 11 express their sorrow at his death, and extend their condolences to his family and 12 friends; and, be it further 13 **Resolved, That** the assembly chief clerk shall provide copies of this resolution to Mr. Perala's wife, Elvie, and his 2 sons, Ronald (Julie) Perala and Randy (Sue) 14 Perala. 15 16 (END)