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1	Relating to: the life and public service of Helmar A. Lewis.
2	Whereas, Helmar A. "Pete" Lewis was born in McFarland on February 7, 1900,
3	and died in Beloit on March 6, 1999; and
4	Whereas, after serving in the army in World War I, and working as a laborer
5	and farmer, Helmar Lewis attended the University of Wisconsin, receiving his law
6	degree in 1928; and
7	Whereas, he established his law practice in Boscobel, where he served as city
8	attorney from 1930 to 1932, as Grant County district attorney from 1933 to 1937, and
9	as mayor of Boscobel from 1939 to 1944; and
10	Whereas, he was elected in 1940 to represent the 16th District in the Wisconsin
11	senate; and
12	Whereas, throughout his tenure in the senate, he was a member of the joint
13	committee on finance, serving as senate chairman of that body during the 1943
14	legislative session; and

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1	Whereas, Helmar Lewis resigned from the senate in May 1944 to become an
2	attorney for the Office of Price Administration in La Crosse; and
3	Whereas, after World War II he accepted a position as legal counsel for the
4	Wisconsin public service commission, where he served until his retirement in 1965;
5	and
6	Whereas, after his retirement Helmar Lewis remained active in community
7	affairs both in Wisconsin and in Florida, his winter home; now, therefore, be it
8	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the
9	Wisconsin legislature acknowledge the long years of service to Wisconsin by Helmar
10	Lewis; and, be it further
11	Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint
12	resolution to Mr. Lewis's daughter, Luanne Larson.
13	(END)