

State of Wisconsin



2003 Senate Joint Resolution 35

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the life and public service of William R. Moser.

Whereas, William R. Moser was born on October 14, 1927, in Chicago and died on April 11, 2003, in Milwaukee; and

Whereas, he graduated from St. John Cathedral High School, St. Norbert College, and Marquette Law School; and

Whereas, after establishing himself in private practice as an attorney, he married Mary Bernadette Reding; and

Whereas, he began a long career of public service by joining the U.S. Army in 1945, serving 2 years as a paratrooper and a criminal investigator; and

Whereas, William R. Moser was elected to the Wisconsin senate in 1956, quickly earning a reputation as a passionate statesman and an enemy of posturing and hypocrisy; and

Whereas, he became one of the youngest floor leaders in the history of the Wisconsin legislature when in 1961, at the age of 33, he was elected senate minority leader; and

Whereas, in that role he led the fight against the adoption of the sales tax in Wisconsin; and

Whereas, after leaving the senate in 1962, William Moser went on to a long career of further service to the people of Milwaukee County as a county court judge, as a circuit court judge, and finally as a judge of the District I Court of Appeals; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature salute the life and public service of William R. Moser and mourn the passing of this distinguished former colleague; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint resolution to William R. Moser's wife, Mary Bernadette, his son, William, and his daughter, Mary Magdalene Carlson.

Representative John G. Gard
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Alan J. Lasee
President of the Senate

Date

Donna J. Doyle
Senate Assistant Chief Clerk