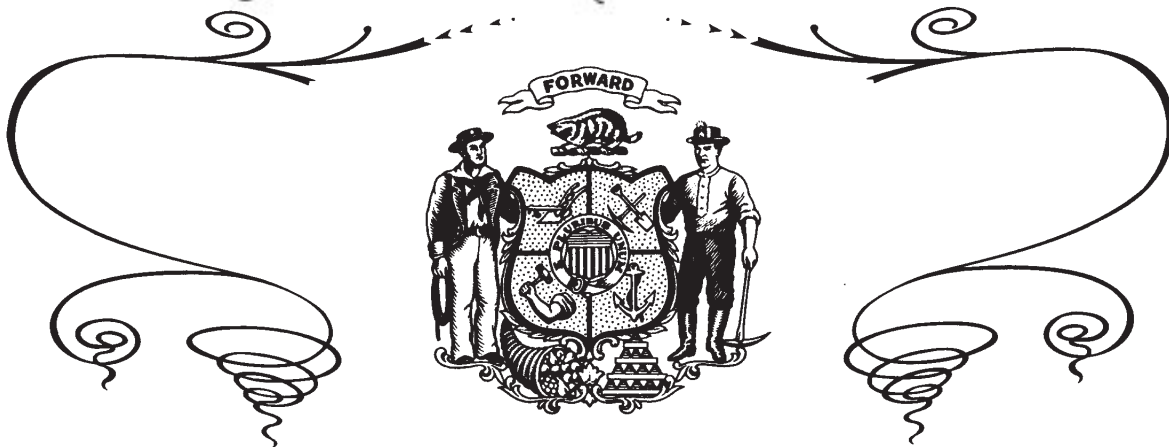


State of Wisconsin



2003 Senate Joint Resolution 37

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the life and public service of Walter L. Merten.

Whereas, Walter L. Merten was born on December 11, 1922, and died on November 8, 2001, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and

Whereas, he graduated from Marquette University High School; and

Whereas, he earned a B.A. degree from Marquette University and an LL.B degree in 1950; and

Whereas, Mr. Merten married Grace M. Stieber; and

Whereas, he served his country with the U.S. Army during World War II from 1943 to 1946 in the Philippines and Japan; and

Whereas, after his discharge from military service, at the request of the War Department, Mr. Merten served as a civilian military officer in Japan, as a specialist in government and education; and

Whereas, Mr. Merten was first elected to the Wisconsin assembly in 1950 (Milwaukee, 19th), serving in the 1951 and 1953 sessions; and

Whereas, he was subsequently elected to the Wisconsin senate in 1954 (5th Senate District), serving in the 1955 and 1957 sessions; and

Whereas, during his tenure in the legislature, Mr. Merten was the assistant majority floor leader during the 1957 session; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature commend the devoted public service that Walter L. Merten contributed to this state and his community, express their sorrow at his death, and extend their condolences to his family and friends; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to Mr. Merten's wife, Grace M. Merten, and to his sister, Florence Fridal.

Representative John G. Gard
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Alan J. Lasee
President of the Senate

Date

Donna J. Doyle
Senate Assistant Chief Clerk