

2005 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 8

February 22, 2005 – Introduced by Representative NASS.

1 **Relating to:** condemning the anti-American hate speech promoted by Professor
2 Ward L. Churchill.

3 Whereas, the United States of America was attacked on September 11, 2001,
4 a day that will be remembered as one of the darkest in American history; and

5 Whereas, the terrorists that attacked America that day murdered more than
6 3,000 innocent people who were doing nothing more than enjoying the inalienable
7 rights of a free people; and

8 Whereas, the families of those who were lost on September 11, 2001, are still
9 in the agonizing process of grieving and recovery, enduring immeasurable pain from
10 the attacks; and

11 Whereas, the citizens of Wisconsin rallied around those families and our
12 country in the following mobilization of national resources to achieve victory in the
13 War on Terror; and

14 Whereas, Professor Ward L. Churchill of the University of Colorado at Boulder
15 wrote an essay, “Some People Push Back’: On the Justice of Roosting Chickens,”

1 related to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, with intentionally
2 inflammatory and offensive statements aimed at all Americans; and

3 Whereas, Professor Churchill in his essay compares the victims of the terrorist
4 attacks on September 11, 2001, to Adolph Eichmann, the man in charge of Hitler's
5 plan to murder Jews during World War II; and

6 Whereas, on January 31, 2005, Professor Churchill issued a statement
7 clarifying that people working in the World Trade Center on September 11, 2001,
8 were the "technocrats of empire" and were the equivalents of "little Eichmanns"; and

9 Whereas, Professor Churchill is scheduled to give a speech on the campus of the
10 University of Wisconsin–Whitewater on March 1, 2005; and

11 Whereas, Professor Churchill's essay and statements are clearly inflammatory,
12 offensive, and lacking in academic foundation, rightly outraging citizens both in
13 Wisconsin and across the country; and

14 Whereas, Professor Churchill's tenure is currently the subject of review by the
15 University of Colorado Board of Regents and is the subject of a statement by the
16 governor of Colorado calling for his dismissal; now, therefore, be it

17 ***Resolved by the assembly, That*** the Wisconsin assembly condemns the
18 anti-American hate speech promoted by Professor Ward L. Churchill and
19 recommends strongly that the University of Wisconsin–Whitewater cancel Professor
20 Churchill's speech on March 1, 2005; and, be it further

21 ***Resolved, That*** the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this resolution
22 to the governor of Colorado, the president of the University of Wisconsin System, and
23 the chancellor of the University of Wisconsin–Whitewater.

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