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**Relating to:** *Commending the life and public service of Jarius Anthony Josey.*

Whereas, Jarius Anthony Josey was born to Anthony and Patience Josy on

January 6, 1876, in Augusta, Georgia; and

Whereas, he graduated from Atlanta University in 1905; and

Whereas, he married Chestena Carmichael in 1905 and moved to Madison shortly thereafter; and

Whereas, he enrolled in the University of Wisconsin-Madison Law School's Class of 1910, becoming one of the first African Americans to attend the University of Wisconsin Law School; and

Whereas, in 1915, he helped to found Mount Zion Baptist Church in Madison, where he later served as chairman of its board of trustees; and

Whereas, in 1916, he helped found the *Wisconsin Weekly Blade*, where he worked as editor-in-chief for three decades, taking positions on almost every issue of importance to African Americans in Wisconsin; and

Whereas, he eventually moved to Milwaukee, and there established the *Blade* as Wisconsin's first successful African American newspaper; and

Whereas, in the pages of the *Blade*, he courageously advocated against discrimination in juries, the military, and government employment; and

Whereas, his editorials were instrumental in opening up the political process and exposing political discrimination around Wisconsin and America; and

Whereas, after his career with the *Blade*, he continued to serve his community by opening a real estate business dedicated to helping minority home buyers; and

Whereas, as a dedicated servant of Milwaukee, he helped to organize and further Milwaukee's Northside YMCA; and

Whereas, he earned such acclaim as a champion for equal rights and opportunity that he was asked to sit on dozens of Milwaukee committees regarding interracial affairs and was consulted by sitting United States Presidents; and

Whereas, he died on July 7, 1957, after a lifetime devoted to improving the status of Wisconsin's African American population; therefore, be it

**Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That** the members of the Wisconsin legislature do hereby honor and celebrate the groundbreaking life and accomplishments of Jarius Anthony Josey.



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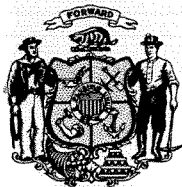
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Whereas, the adoption of this <sup>s</sup> ~~Senate~~ <sup>r</sup> ~~Resolution~~ is supported not only by the  
\* senate, but also by members of the assembly, including specifically Representatives  
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