

2007 SENATE RESOLUTION 22

February 27, 2008 – Introduced by Senators COGGS, TAYLOR, CARPENTER, LASSA and ROESSLER. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** the life and public service of Representative Marcia P. Coggs.

2 Whereas, Representative Marcia P. Coggs served the city of Milwaukee and
3 state of Wisconsin faithfully from 1976 until 1992 as a member of the assembly and
4 was the first African–American woman elected to the legislature; and

5 Whereas, Representative Marcia P. Coggs, as a member of the Wisconsin State
6 Assembly, was the first African–American to serve on the powerful Joint Committee
7 on Finance; and

8 Whereas, Representative Marcia P. Coggs devoted her life to fighting for civil
9 rights, fair housing, excellence in education, quality health care, and after retiring
10 from the legislature continued fighting in her community with her motto of “helping
11 the needy, and not the greedy”; and

12 Whereas, Representative Marcia P. Coggs helped to create a legacy of faith and
13 political greatness through devotion to her church, Holy Redeemer Church of God in
14 Christ, a legacy carried on in Wisconsin by her daughter, Supervisor Elizabeth

