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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 2

March 25, 2008 – Introduced by Senator S. FITZGERALD, cosponsored by Representative Jorgensen. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: the life of Richard Burke.
2	Whereas, Richard "Dick" Burke, husband of Camille, and father of Kathleen,
3	Mary, John, Sharon, and Michele, passed away on Monday, March 10, 2008; and
4	Whereas, Dick was a hard worker and smart businessman, growing his
5	Waterloo, Wisconsin-based Trek Bicycles from its infancy in an old, rented red barn
6	to its current status as the world's premiere bicycle manufacturer; and
7	Whereas, Dick's more than 30 years of commitment to his successful company
8	have brought great pride and a significant economic boom to Waterloo, to the
9	surrounding area, and to this state; and
10	Whereas, Dick's dedication was not only to Trek Bicycles, but to his neighbors,
11	giving back whenever possible, to community and charitable organizations
12	throughout the state; and
13	Whereas, Dick was a constant supporter of education, establishing the Trinity

Foundation, to support urban education, youth, and leadership development; and

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1	Whereas, Dick was an advocate and sponsor of Nativity Jesuit Middle School,
2	which seeks to educate Latino boys for lives of Christian leadership and service; and
3	Whereas, Dick set up several scholarship programs at Marquette University,
4	Mount Mary College, and Alverno College: dedicated to developing future leaders
5	with a commitment to social justice; and
6	Whereas, with all of his achievements, Dick was most proud of his children;
7	gifted, contributing members of our state, in their own right; and
8	Whereas, Dick leaves behind this lasting legacy of business savvy,
9	civic-mindedness, and devotion to God and family; now, therefore, be it
10	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the
11	Wisconsin legislature commend all that Richard "Dick" Burke contributed to this
12	state and his community, express their sorrow at his passing, and extend their
13	condolences to his family and friends; and, be it further
14	Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
15	resolution to Dick's wife, Camille, and his five children, Kathleen, Mary, John,
16	Sharon, and Michele.
17	(END)