

# State of Wisconsin



2007 Senate Resolution 26

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## ENGROSSED RESOLUTION

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**Relating to:** the life and public service of Mr. James Howard Baker.

Whereas, Mr. James Howard Baker was a draftsman and engineer for the city of Milwaukee and was a founding member of the Community Brainstorming Conference, an ongoing, dynamic community forum in Milwaukee dedicated to the exchange of ideas on current issues of concern to Milwaukee; and

Whereas, Mr. James Howard Baker was known for his dedication to the highest ideals of the community with a quiet commitment, sustained hard work, and unimpeachable integrity; and

Whereas, Mr. James Howard Baker's legacy has been immortalized by the Community Brainstorming Conference with the creation in 1989 of the James Howard Baker Award, which is given annually to a person who serves Milwaukee's people of color; and

Whereas, the James Howard Baker Award has been given in the past to such notable community luminaries as James Cameron, founder of the Black Holocaust Museum, civil rights activist and former state Representative Lloyd Barbee, and United States Congresswoman Gwen Moore; and

Whereas, the adoption of this senate resolution is supported not only by the senate, but also by members of the assembly, including specifically Representatives Young, Grigsby, Turner, Sheridan, Toles, and Zepnick; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the senate, That* the members of the Wisconsin state senate honor the life of Mr. James Howard Baker for the legacy of community involvement and dedication to the improvement of Milwaukee through a free and open exchange of ideas.

State Capitol  
Madison, Wisconsin

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Senator Fred A. Risser  
President of the Senate

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Date

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Robert J. Marchant  
Senate Chief Clerk