



2007 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 92

January 24, 2008 - Introduced by Representatives MOLEPSKE, BALLWEG, BLACK, HAHN, SOLETSKI, OWENS, SHERIDAN, TOWNSEND, HEBL, JESKEWITZ, BIES, PETROWSKI, A. OTT, GUNDERSON and BERCEAU, cosponsored by Senators LASSA, OLSEN, MILLER, COWLES, TAYLOR, SCHULTZ, LEHMAN, PLALE and RISSER. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** the life and public service of Daniel O. Trainer.

2 Whereas, on December 8, 2007, Daniel O. Trainer, of Stevens Point, Wisconsin,
3 passed away following a remarkable life dedicated to education and the preservation
4 of Wisconsin's pristine natural resources; and

5 Whereas, Daniel bravely served his county in the United States Navy during
6 World War II; and

7 Whereas, following his service in the United States military, Daniel received his
8 Bachelor of Science degree from Ripon College in 1950, his Masters degree in
9 microbiology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1955, and his doctorate
10 in veterinary science and microbiology from the University of Wisconsin-Madison
11 in 1961; and

12 Whereas, Daniel served as a renowned scientist in the area of wildlife disease
13 while on the Veterinary Science faculty at the University of Wisconsin-Madison,
14 creating the first graduate program in environmental diseases in the process; and

1 Whereas, following his tenure at the University of Wisconsin–Madison, Daniel
2 was chosen to serve as the Dean of the School of Natural Resources at the University
3 of Wisconsin–Stevens Point, a post which he held for 17 years until his retirement
4 in 1988; and

5 Whereas, during his tremendously successful tenure at the University of
6 Wisconsin–Stevens Point, Daniel helped to build the largest undergraduate college
7 of natural resources in the country, overseeing the education of over 5,000
8 professionals now working in natural resource management; and

9 Whereas, following his career in academics, Daniel received a number of honors
10 and accolades, including Ripon College’s Distinguished Alumni Award in 2005,
11 serving as a Department of Natural Resources Board Member and Vice Chair,
12 induction into the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame in 2006 (an organization
13 which he helped to create), and most recently, Daniel was honored by the University
14 of Wisconsin–Stevens Point through the dedication of the Daniel O. Trainer Natural
15 Resources Building; and

16 Whereas, even in retirement, Daniel worked tirelessly on a number of
17 environmental causes, including the River Alliance of Wisconsin, the Wisconsin
18 Natural Resources Foundation (a foundation which he chaired), the Public
19 Intervener Advisory Committee, Intra–State Recycling Corp., the Stevens Point
20 Area Community Foundation, the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation, the Portage
21 County Park Board, the Portage County Foundation, the Audubon Society, Ducks
22 Unlimited, Kiwanis, the development of the 25 mile Green Circle Trail around the
23 City of Stevens Point, and the Plover River Alliance; and

24 Whereas, Daniel Trainer was a beloved teacher and mentor, to hundreds of
25 natural resource students and natural resource management professionals; and

