

State of Wisconsin



2009 Assembly Joint Resolution 28

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway.

Whereas, the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway law was enacted on August 3, 1989, by Wisconsin Act 31, in order to protect and preserve the scenic quality and natural character of the lower Wisconsin River valley and to provide a quality public use recreation area for current and future Wisconsin residents; and

Whereas, the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway encompasses nearly 80,000 acres of public and private lands along the final 92 miles of the Wisconsin River; and

Whereas, the unique and innovative aesthetic protection regulations became effective on October 31, 1989, and were to be administered by a new state agency, the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board, with the board holding its inaugural meeting in Muscoda, Wisconsin, on November 1, 1989; and

Whereas, the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board has maintained the fragile and delicate balance between the protection and preservation of the aesthetic integrity of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway and the protection of the rights of landowners and local residents; and

Whereas, the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board has worked with the Ho-Chunk Nation and other tribal governments, the Wisconsin State Historical Society, the National Park Service, and area residents to protect the many cultural and historical resources of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway; and

Whereas, the Wisconsin department of natural resources has worked in partnership with the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board to acquire lands from willing sellers and to manage public lands for the benefit of the citizens of Wisconsin, as well as to create recreational opportunities for our citizens; and

Whereas, the success of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway project is due to the cooperation from landowners, residents, and local governments from the lower Wisconsin River valley; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature hereby recognize the 20th anniversary of the establishment of the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway and commend the Lower Wisconsin State Riverway Board and the citizens and communities of the lower Wisconsin River valley for their diligent efforts to protect this outstanding natural, scenic, and recreational resource for the people of Wisconsin.

Senator Fred A. Risser
President of the Senate

Representative Michael J. Sheridan
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Patrick E. Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk