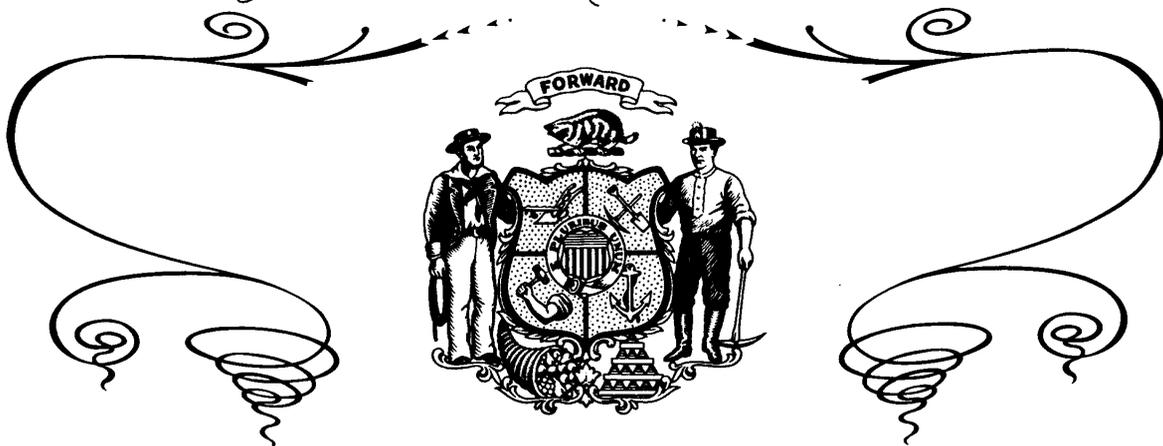


State of Wisconsin



2009 Assembly Joint Resolution 7

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the life and public service of Judge Ted E. Wedemeyer, Jr.

Whereas, the Honorable Ted E. Wedemeyer, Jr., departed this life on July 23, 2008; and

Whereas, Judge Wedemeyer was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on August 30, 1932, graduated from Marquette High School and the College of the Holy Cross, earned his law degree from Marquette University, and earned a master's degree in taxation from the John Marshall School of Law; and

Whereas, Judge Wedemeyer served with distinction in the United States Air Force; and

Whereas, Judge Wedemeyer assisted in establishing the municipal court system in the city of Milwaukee in 1975, served as a municipal judge in that system, was appointed by Governor Schreiber to the circuit court in Milwaukee County in 1977, and was elected to the court of appeals in 1982, eventually serving as the presiding judge of District I; and

Whereas, during his judicial career, Judge Wedemeyer was actively involved in changing the court system to include night court and the municipal court, onsite court hearings and building code violations inspections, and a pilot study of cameras in the courtroom in Wisconsin; and

Whereas, Judge Wedemeyer made important contributions to the community as chair of the Board of Zoning Appeals in Milwaukee, as trustee of the Milwaukee Library System, as president of the Wisconsin Children's Service Society, as president of the Milwaukee Kickers, and as a member of the board of directors of the Wisconsin Soccer Association, Junior Achievement, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and Wisconsin Correctional Services; and

Whereas, Judge Wedemeyer was a founder and tireless promoter of youth soccer, particularly in his work developing the Milwaukee Kickers; and

Whereas, Judge Wedemeyer actively supported the German ethnic community in Milwaukee, serving as president of Goethe Haus Milwaukee, being involved in the Hessian Society of Wisconsin, and being a member of and performer with the Muellers German dance troupe; and

Whereas, Judge Wedemeyer was actively involved in the Wisconsin Easter Seal Society, St. Thomas More High School, the Milwaukee Christian Center, Volunteers of America, St. Joseph's Foundation, the American Legion, the Ancient Order of Hibernians, and the Wings of Corporate Mercy and was a member of the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus; and

Whereas, Judge Wedemeyer was a founding member of the State Bar of Wisconsin Appellate Practice Section and served as one of its early chairs and, through work with the Judicial Council Appellate Procedure Committee, initiated many positive changes in state appellate practice rules; and

Whereas, Judge Wedemeyer was a friend and mentor to countless judges and lawyers throughout the state; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature honor Judge Ted E. Wedemeyer, Jr., for his decades of public service and positive contribution to the development of the law and the fabric of the community in the city and county of Milwaukee and Wisconsin; and, be it further

Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to Ted E. Wedemeyer's wife, Susan Wedemeyer, and to his sister, Suzanne McKee.

Senator Fred A. Risser
President of the Senate

Representative Michael J. Sheridan
Speaker of the Assembly

Date

Patrick E. Fuller
Assembly Chief Clerk