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For: **Alberta Darling (608) 266-5830**

By/Representing: **jelena radich**

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Subject: **Memorials - life and public ser.**

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Miller, Steve

From: Radich, Jelena
Sent: Friday, November 11, 2011 4:26 PM
To: LRB.Legal
Subject: Joint Resolution for Dick Wheeler

Attachments: DickWheeler.doc



DickWheeler.doc
(30 KB)

Please draft as a joint resolution.

Thank you,

Jelena Radich

Legislative Aide

Office of State Senator Alberta Darling

Phone: 608-266-5830

Email: jelena.radich@legis.wi.gov

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Handwritten initials/signature

~~PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION~~

2011 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

in 11-12

1 **Relating to:** ~~???~~ *the life and public service of Dick Wheeler.*

2 Whereas, Dick Wheeler, the dean of the State Capitol press corps, passed away
3 on November 11, 2011; and

4 Whereas, Dick Wheeler *is* survived by his daughter Gwyn Guenther,
5 son-in-law Trevor Guenther, granddaughters Camille and Tabitha, and his
6 longtime companion Diane Harmelink; and

7 Whereas, Dick, who was originally from Pennsylvania, previously worked for
8 United Press International and Scripps Howard in Michigan and Ohio, covering
9 stories such as the shootings at Kent State in 1970 and the Hough race riots in
10 Cleveland; and

11 Whereas, in *the* 1972, Dick arrived in Madison, Wisconsin, and began *to work*
12 for the Gongwer News Service; and

Handwritten notes: a downward arrow and the word 'ing' with a flourish.

1 Whereas, also in 1972, Dick Wheeler created the famous government reporting
2 service for Capitol insiders, government officials, and lobbyists that bore his name,
3 “The Wheeler Report”; and

4 Whereas, The Wheeler Report originally began as a newsletter detailing the
5 activities of the Legislature and state government, which was mailed to subscribers
6 daily; and

7 Whereas, The Wheeler Report progressed from a mailed newsletter, to a faxed
8 newsletter, and finally led to the creation of a website in 1998; and

9 Whereas, today, thethewheelereport.com is a popular website that links
10 stories and allows viewers to track the daily actions of the Wisconsin legislature; and

11 Whereas, The Wheeler Report was truly a family business run by Dick, his
12 daughter Gwyn and his son-in-law Trevor, and his longtime companion Diane; and

13 Whereas, Dick will not be forgotten for the role he played in securing a State
14 Capitol room, centrally located between the Senate and Assembly chambers,
15 designated for use by press covering the workings of the state’s elected officials in the
16 1998 budget; and

17 Whereas, Dick was an invaluable resource to his fellow Capitol press reporters
18 and served as the president of the Wisconsin Capitol Correspondents Association
19 before stepping down in 2010; and

20 Whereas, Dick’s impressive knowledge of state government and the inner
21 workings of the Legislature will be missed by all; and

22 Whereas, Dick, seen frequently arriving at 5:30 a.m., was known for his
23 dedication in covering legislative activity, particularly that of the Joint Finance
24 Committee, well into the night; and

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1 Whereas, the familiar smell of pipe tobacco wafting through the portico of the
2 Martin Luther King Jr. ~~Blvd~~ entrance to the Capitol will fade, but never be forgotten;
3 now, therefore, be it

4 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the Wisconsin
5 legislature commends the life and dedicated service of Dick Wheeler, expresses
6 sorrow at his death, and extends its condolences to his family, friends, and all those
7 who were touched by his work; and, be it further

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8 ***Be it further resolved, That*** the ~~Senate~~ Chief Clerk shall provide a copy of
9 this joint resolution to Mr. Wheeler's daughter and family.

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(END)

Miller, Steve

From: Emerson, James
Sent: Monday, November 14, 2011 4:19 PM
To: Miller, Steve
Cc: Radich, Jelena
Subject: FW: Co-sponsorship of LRB-3478/1: Life and Public Service of Dick Wheeler
Attachments: 4827_001 Bonnie Reese.pdf

Steve:

Attached is the resolution that was used to create the Bonnie Reese hearing room. Please use similar language to that which if found on Page 3, line 5, to reflect that the 235 SW is to be renamed the "Dick Wheeler Capitol Press Room". We'll call tomorrow morning to let you know if there are any more revisions.

Thank you,
 Jim Emerson
 Senator Darling's Office
 608-266-5830

From: Hogan, John
Sent: Monday, November 14, 2011 3:50 PM
To: Radich, Jelena
Cc: Emerson, James
Subject: RE: Co-sponsorship of LRB-3478/1: Life and Public Service of Dick Wheeler

Attached is the 1989 resolution renaming a hearing room after Bonnie Reese. Please have LRB draft a /2 of your resolution adding in a clause that renames the press room after Dick Wheeler.

Also, you'll want to send out another cosponsorship email informing everyone that the SJR will be changed to reflect the additional clause renaming the press room.

From: Sen.Darling
Sent: Monday, November 14, 2011 3:31 PM
To: *Legislative Assembly Democrats; *Legislative Assembly Independents; *Legislative Assembly Republicans; *Legislative Senate Democrats; *Legislative Senate - Independents; *Legislative Senate Republicans
Subject: Co-sponsorship of LRB-3478/1: Life and Public Service of Dick Wheeler

TO: All Legislators

FROM: Senator Alberta Darling

RE: LRB-3478/1: Relating to the life and public service of Dick Wheeler

DATE: November 14, 2011

I am circulating for co-sponsorship a Senate Joint Resolution relating to the life and public service of Dick Wheeler who passed away on Friday, November 11th.

Please contact my office at (608)266-5830 or Sen.Darling@legis.wi.gov by **Friday, November 18th** if you would like to be a co-sponsor.

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11/14/2011

October 1989 Special Session

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 3

December 21, 1989 - Introduced by Senators RISSER, STROHL, ELLIS, ADELMAN, ANDREA, BARRETT, BERNDT, BUETTNER, BURKE, CHILSEN, CHVALA, COWLES, CZARNEZKI, DAVIS, FARROW, FEINGOLD, GEORGE, HELBACH, JAUCH, KINCAID, KREUL, LASEE, LEEAN, LORMAN, MOEN, PLEWA, ROSHELL, RUDE, STITT, TE WINKLE, ULICHNY, VAN SISTINE and WEEDEN; cosponsored by Representatives LOFTUS, HAUKE, KUNICKI and PROSSER.

1 Relating to the public service of Bonnie Reese.

2 Whereas, Bonnie Reese, a native of Logan, Utah, graduated from Utah
3 State University, where, by winning a scholarship, being accepted by hon-
4 orary organizations, being elected president of her sorority and secretary
5 of her senior class, graduating in the top of her class and being desig-
6 nated the outstanding woman graduate, she demonstrated the intellectual
7 acuity and talent for leadership that would later be invaluable to the
8 Wisconsin legislature; and

9 Whereas, she received a master's degree in Political Science and
10 Public Administration from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and served
11 as the assistant to the Director of the University of Wisconsin -
12 Extension's Institute of Governmental Affairs; and

13 Whereas, aside from one year at the Extension, she devoted her entire
14 professional career to the Legislative Council, beginning as a Research
15 Assistant in 1957, becoming a Senior Policy Analyst in 1968 and becoming
16 Director in 1971; and

17 Whereas, during her long tenure at the Legislative Council she sup-
18 plied the legislature with many perceptive analyses of complex issues, for

1 example doing crucial staff work on the development of the state's school
2 aid formula and the creation of the University of Wisconsin system; and

3 Whereas, she has played a key role in the development of staff ser-
4 vices offered to the legislature by completing the transformation of the
5 Legislative Council from a small agency concerned mainly with interim
6 study committees to a larger agency that provides a broad, full-time range
7 of sophisticated services and by building, maintaining and guiding a
8 highly skilled and dedicated staff; and

9 Whereas, she strongly believes in the legislature as an institution
10 and dedicated herself to strengthening it as a coequal branch of govern-
11 ment by serving as staff to the Joint Committee on Legislative
12 Organization, participating in numerous special projects, assuming orga-
13 nizational responsibility for numerous conferences and other activities
14 undertaken by the legislative branch and generously providing advice and
15 counsel to generations of legislators; and

16 Whereas, Bonnie Reese has been a trailblazer by becoming the first
17 woman to head a major state agency in Wisconsin and the first woman to
18 serve as the head of the staff section of the National Conference of State
19 Legislatures; and

20 Whereas, she held many high offices in the National Conference of
21 State Legislatures and was a Distinguished Consultant to the University of
22 Wisconsin-Madison when it established the La Follette Institute; and

23 Whereas, she received the Distinguished Service Award in 1985 from her
24 alma mater, Utah State University, in recognition of her years of service,
25 including membership in the University's National Advisory Council; and

26 Whereas, because of these and other achievements she has been the
27 quintessential legislative staff member; now, therefore, be it

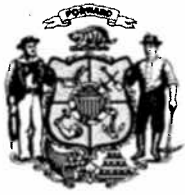
1 Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of
2 the legislature of the state of Wisconsin express to Bonnie Reese their
3 warmest personal regards and their appreciation for, and admiration of,
4 her long and distinguished service in their behalf; and, be it further

5 Resolved, That in recognition of her many years of distinguished ser-
6 vice to the legislature and the people of Wisconsin, the hearing room
7 located between the north and west wings on the 2nd floor of the capitol
8 is hereafter denominated and dedicated to Bonnie Reese; and, be it further

9 Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide copies of this
10 joint resolution to Bonnie Reese, to her mother, Greta, and to her
11 brother, Marty.

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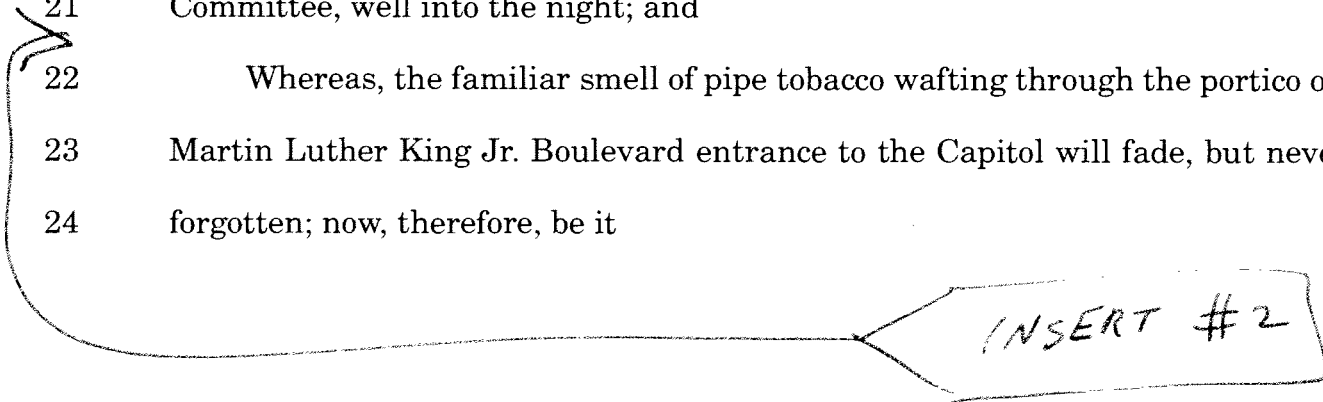
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Whereas, the Wisconsin Capitol Correspondents Association voted
unanimously to request that the press room be named in Dick's honor; and



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I N S E R T # 1

1 **Resolved, That** in recognition of his many years of distinguished service to the
2 legislature and the people of Wisconsin, Room 235 SW in the Capitol shall be known
3 as the Dick Wheeler Capitol Press Room; and, be it further

Godwin, Gigi

From: Radich, Jelena
Sent: Monday, November 21, 2011 12:21 PM
To: LRB.Legal
Subject: Draft Review: LRB 11-3478/2 Topic: Dick Wheeler

Please Jacket LRB 11-3478/2 for the SENATE.