
ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the public service of Laura Rose.

Whereas, Laura Rose was hired as a legislative council staff attorney in 1985 and earned her chops under the strict supervision of the legendary Bonnie Reese; and

Whereas, Laura was named acting director of the legislative council staff in 2000 and deputy director of the legislative council staff later that year; and

Whereas, Laura has staffed numerous standing committees and joint legislative council study committees on topics relating to health, mental illness, developmental disabilities, human services, aging, long-term care, and family law; and

Whereas, Laura has played a critical role in shaping the law on these subjects, including Wisconsin’s mental health act, protective services law, and human services programs; and

Whereas, since 2006, Laura has served as staff to the joint committee on employment relations, providing excellent support and counsel to that committee; and

Whereas, Laura took a leave of absence from the legislative council staff in 2008–09 to serve as Executive Director of the National Children’s Study in Wisconsin, coordinating the work on this national project of the University of Wisconsin’s School of Medicine and the Medical College of Wisconsin; and

Whereas, since 2007, Laura has been a collaborator on the Evidence–Based Health Project, along with staff of the La Follette School of Public Affairs at the University of Wisconsin–Madison, the Population Health Institute at the University of Wisconsin’s School of Medicine, and the joint legislative council; and

Whereas, Laura has generously served her community through volunteer service, notably including the co–founding of The Road Home–Dane County, providing critical services to homeless families; and

Whereas, Laura is now leaving Wisconsin to become Director of the Legislative Management Group of the National Conference of State Legislatures; and

Whereas, Laura has served as a valued mentor and model to a generation of legislative council staff attorneys, who will miss her wise counsel, steady guidance, and constant friendship; and

Whereas, Laura has provided excellent counsel to legislators and staff for 30 years and will be missed by the legislature for her expertise as well as her outstanding dedication to service; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin legislature congratulates Laura Rose on her professional accomplishments, thanks her for her outstanding service to the legislature and the State of Wisconsin, and wishes her all the best as she takes on new challenges in service to the legislatures of all the states of this nation; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall present a copy of this resolution to Laura Rose and her husband, Steve Rose, and their children, Will, Tim, and Abby.

Representative Robin J. Vos
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Mary Lazich
President of the Senate

Date

Jeffrey Renk
Senate Chief Clerk