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## 2019 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 42

May 30, 2019 - Introduced by Senators Wirch and Wanggaard, cosponsored by Representatives McGuire, Ohnstad and Kerkman. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

2	Whereas, on March 31, 2019, John Joseph Maurer passed away at the age of
3	96; and
4	Whereas, Maurer served in the Wisconsin State Senate from 1975 to 1984,
5	representing the people of the 22nd Senate District; and
6	Whereas, Maurer was born in Kenosha, Wisconsin, in 1922 to John and Anna
7	(Schuenemann) Maurer; and
8	Whereas, during World War II, Maurer served in the Army Air Corps and in
9	1945 commanded a B24 "Liberator" in the 15th Air Force Division; and
10	Whereas, after Maurer completed his military service he went on to study at
11	Marquette University before becoming a pilot with United Airlines, flying over
12	25,000 hours during his tenure; and
13	Whereas, from 1969 to 1975, Maurer served as the Town Chairman of Pleasant
14	Prairie; and

Relating to: honoring the life and public service of Senator John Maurer.

1	Whereas, Maurer's dedication to public service continued in April of 1975, when
2	he was elected in a special election to Wisconsin's 22nd Senate District and served
3	two more terms in the legislature, and
4	Whereas, in 1985 Maurer was appointed by Governor Tony Earl to serve as the
5	Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and
6	Whereas, Maurer served as Secretary until 1992, during which time he was
7	instrumental in the creation of the Wisconsin Veterans Museum, which is now
8	located on the Capitol Square; and
9	Whereas, the Union Grove Veterans Home went on to dedicate Maurer Hall in
10	his honor; and
11	Whereas, Maurer is survived by his wife, Arlene; daughter, Lisa Patrick Walls;
12	son, Thomas Maurer; and grandchildren, Noah, John, and Levi; and
13	Whereas, Maurer is remembered for his wonderful humor and passion for golf;
14	and
15	Whereas, Maurer will be greatly missed by his family and community in
16	Kenosha to which he dedicated so much of his life; now, therefore, be it
17	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the
18	Wisconsin Legislature salute the life and public service of John Joseph Maurer and
19	mourn his passing; and, be it further
20	Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint
21	resolution to the family of John Joseph Maurer.
22	(END)