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## SENATE AMENDMENT 2, TO 2007 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 49

May 9, 2007 - Offered by Senator ROESSLER.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the joint resolution as follows:

- Page 1, line 1: delete "honoring Wisconsinites called up to active military
   duty" and substitute "Secretary John A. Scocos".
  - **2.** Page 1, line 2: delete the material beginning with that line and ending with page 2, line 14, and substitute:

"Whereas, Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary John A. Scocos first enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1979 and continues in the U.S. Army Reserves as a colonel serving as military assistant in the Office of the Secretary of the Army at the Pentagon; and

Whereas, John. A. Scocos first joined the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs in 1997 as the department's executive assistant and served as executive assistant until 2001; and

1	Whereas, John A. Scocos served the legislature as a legislative assistant in the
2	senate and as sergeant-at-arms and chief clerk of the assembly; and
3	Whereas, John A. Scocos rejoined the Wisconsin Department of Veterans
4	Affairs as deputy secretary in 2002 and became secretary in 2003; and
5	Whereas, during his time as secretary, John A. Scocos worked with the
6	legislature to create and develop the new Wisconsin GI bill, the VetEd program, the
7	Wisconsin veterans and surviving spouses property tax credit, and numerous other
8	programs that will assist veterans and their families throughout the state; and
9	Whereas, Secretary Scocos continues to provide a high level of quality service
10	to both the legislature and veterans throughout the state and has earned the 2006
11	Wisconsin State Department of the American Legion Leadership Medal, the 2006
12	Wisconsin State Council of Vietnam Veterans of America Distinguished Service
13	Award, and the 2006 Disabled American Veterans Distinguished Service Award,
14	each of which is the highest award given by these organizations; and
15	Whereas, John is devoted to his wife, Kelly, and children, Chloe, Andreas, and
16	Costa; now, therefore, be it
17	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the
18	Wisconsin legislature commend Secretary John A. Scocos for his exemplary service
19	to the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs and salute him as he returns to
20	active duty military service in Iraq.".
21	(END)