

State of Wisconsin



2009 Senate Joint Resolution 25

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the commemoration of *The Progressive* magazine's 100th anniversary.

Whereas, *The Progressive* magazine, the successor to *La Follette's*, was founded by the great senator and governor from Wisconsin, Robert M. ("Fighting Bob") La Follette in Madison in 1909; and

Whereas, throughout its 100-year history, *The Progressive* has stayed true to the principles of Fighting Bob La Follette, including peace, civil rights, civil liberties, the environment, an independent media, the restraint of corporate power, and the expansion of citizen power; and

Whereas, *The Progressive* magazine, always based in Madison, has brought distinction to the state of Wisconsin by joining the national debate on the crucial issues of our day, with civility and intelligence; and

Whereas, this spring, the University of Wisconsin Press will publish *The Progressive's* anthology, *Democracy in Print: The Best of The Progressive, 1909–2009*; and

Whereas, this April, *The Progressive* will publish a special 100th anniversary edition of the magazine, which contains many excerpts from Fighting Bob La Follette and his wife, Belle Case La Follette (the suffragist and the first woman to graduate from the University of Wisconsin Law School), as well as hundreds of other luminaries; and

Whereas, *The Progressive* will host a conference and celebration, May 1 and 2, at Monona Terrace in Madison to commemorate its 100th anniversary; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature honor *The Progressive* for its 100 years of dedication to the principles of Wisconsin's greatest elected official, Fighting Bob La Follette, and for bringing distinction to the state of Wisconsin for faithfully carrying those principles forth into the national debate.

Representative Michael J. Sheridan
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Fred A. Risser
President of the Senate

Date

Robert J. Marchant
Senate Chief Clerk