

State of Misconsin 2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



2011 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 49

November 4, 2011 – Introduced by Senators RISSER, CARPENTER, S. COGGS, T. CULLEN, HOLPERIN and C. LARSON, cosponsored by Representatives KESSLER, PASCH, SPANBAUER, TURNER, CRAIG, SINICKI and FIELDS. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: the life and public service of Wayne F. Whittow.
2	Whereas, Wayne F. Whittow was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on August 16,
3	1933, and is a lifelong resident of the city; and
4	Whereas, Wayne F. Whittow graduated from Washington High School in 1951,
5	and served in the U.S. Army from 1955 to 1957. He attended the University of
6	Wisconsin-Milwaukee earning both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in
7	business administration; and
8	Whereas, in 1960, in his first race for public office at the age of 26, he received
9	the democratic nomination for the 16th district of the Wisconsin state assembly by
10	a 3-vote margin $(1,472-1,469)$. He was then elected to the first of three consecutive
11	terms; and
12	Whereas, in 1966, Wayne F. Whittow was elected to the Wisconsin state senate,
13	representing the 11th senate district. He was twice reelected, and eventually served
14	as senate majority leader. He is remembered for working to help create state shared

1	revenue to local governments and the merger of Wisconsin State University and
2	University of Wisconsin systems; and
3	Whereas, Wayne F. Whittow was elected Milwaukee city treasurer in 1976. He
4	is credited over his term of office to have established one of the most efficient,
5	cost-effective treasurer's office in the country; and
6	Whereas, at the time Wayne F. Whittow became treasurer, the city of
7	Milwaukee required city property taxpayers to both pick up and pay their tax bills
8	in person. The treasurer's office now mails out bills and accepts payments by mail
9	or over the Internet. Taxpayers now have many options of paying property taxes,
10	including the traditional one of standing in line to pay in person; and
11	Whereas, when Wayne F. Whittow first took office as a state legislator in
12	January 1961, he is reported to have made a goal of 50 years in public life. He has
13	surpassed that goal; and
14	Whereas, Wayne F. Whittow and his wife Paula have three sons and six
15	grandchildren; now, therefore, be it
16	Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin
17	legislature thanks Wayne F. Whittow for his dedicated and invaluable service to his
18	city, to his state, and to his country.
19	(END)