



2025 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 11

February 24, 2025 - Introduced by Representatives RIVERA-WAGNER, SPAUDE, ANDERSON, ARNEY, BARE, BROWN, DESMIDT, FITZGERALD, HYSSELL, J. JACOBSON, JOERS, JOHNSON, KIRSCH, MOORE OMOKUNDE, PALMERI, SHEEHAN, SINICKI, STEFFEN, STROUD, SUBECK, UDELL and KREIBICH, cosponsored by Senators WALL, SMITH, DASSLER-ALFHEIM, DRAKE, L. JOHNSON, RATCLIFF, ROYS and SPREITZER. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** honoring the life and public service of Representative Jim Soletski.

2 Whereas, James “Jim” Robert Soletski was born to John and Caroline
3 Soletski on October 7, 1948, in Green Bay, Wisconsin, the fourth of their seven
4 children; and

5 Whereas, Jim Soletski graduated from Preble High School in Green Bay,
6 attended the University of Wisconsin–Green Bay, and graduated from the
7 University of Wisconsin–Stevens Point with a bachelor’s degree in education; and

8 Whereas, Jim Soletski worked for many years in the energy industry,
9 including as a senior analyst at the Kewaunee Power Station; and

10 Whereas, Jim Soletski was a local, state, and national representative for Al-
11 Anon, as well as a longtime member of and leader in Justice Organization Sharing
12 Hope & United for Action (JOSHUA); and

13 Whereas, Jim Soletski was elected to represent the 88th Assembly District in

1 November 2006 as a proud Democrat and went on to serve in the Wisconsin State
2 Assembly for two consecutive terms; and

3 Whereas, during his second term in the assembly, Jim Soletski served as the
4 chair of the Assembly Committee on Energy and Utilities, cochair of the Assembly
5 Special Committee on Clean Energy Jobs, vice chair of the Assembly Committee on
6 Consumer Protection, and vice chair of the Assembly Committee on Elections and
7 Campaign Reform; and

8 Whereas, Jim Soletski served on the 2008 Special Committee on State-Tribal
9 Relations and was a passionate advocate for respecting Native American culture;
10 and

11 Whereas, Jim Soletski was a loving father to his two daughters and
12 grandfather to his grandson and grandpup; and

13 Whereas, Jim Soletski passed away on August 20, 2024, at the age of 75; and

14 Whereas, Jim Soletski is missed for his quick wit, empathy, and service to
15 others by his family, friends, and former colleagues; now, therefore, be it

16 ***Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That*** the members of
17 the Wisconsin State Legislature join in honoring the life and public service of
18 Representative Jim Soletski and extend their condolences to his family and friends.

19 (END)