## **ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION**

**Relating to:** the life and public service of Ronald G. Parys.

Whereas, Ronald G. Parys was born on October 7, 1938 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and died on September 16, 2007 at his home in Englewood, Florida; and

Whereas, Ronald G. Parys attended Messmer High School before graduating from Riverside High School, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and

Whereas, Ronald G. Parys married and had 5 beautiful children, Todd, Brian, Cheryl, Lynn, and Dawn; and

Whereas, Ronald G. Parys served in the Wisconsin state legislature from 1964 to 1978; and Whereas, Ronald G. Parys did industrial appraisal and assessment work prior to being elected to the state legislature. He continued to do appraisal work part–time and when the legislature was not in session; and

Whereas, Ronald G. Parys was a life long resident and devoted servant of the state of Wisconsin until he moved to Florida in 1996 after retiring as a legislative consultant for the Retail Grocers Association; and

Whereas, while in the Wisconsin state senate, Ronald G. Parys was noted for sponsoring key bills, such as the state lottery, and promoting equality, fairness, and personal responsibility; and

Whereas, during retirement, Ronald G. Parys remained interested in politics and was a member on the Punta Gorda Zoning Appeals Board; and

Whereas, Ronald and his wife Dawne Albrecht–Parys continued to fund and operate an animal rights organization, Animals, Inc., with the goal of helping to sterilize cats and dogs. They also took in many abandoned cats, sheltering them in quarters at their own home; and

Whereas, Ronald G. Parys devoted his time to his family, enjoying life and always looking for that perfect restaurant or cruise with extraordinary cuisine; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That** the members of the Wisconsin legislature commend the devoted public service Ronald G. Parys contributed to this state and his community, express their sorrow at his death, and extend condolences to his family and friends; and, be it further

**Resolved, That** the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this resolution to Ronald G. Parys' wife Dawne, and his 4 surviving children, Brian, Cheryl, Lynn, and Dawn.

Representative Michael D. Huebsch	Senator Fred A. Risser
Speaker of the Assembly	President of the Senate
Date	Robert J. Marchant Senate Chief Clerk