



State of Wisconsin  
2011 - 2012 LEGISLATURE



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## 2011 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 102

February 2, 2012 - Introduced by Representatives RICHARDS, KESSLER, BERCEAU, BERNARD SCHABER, BEWLEY, BIES, E. COGGS, HEBL, JORGENSEN, MILROY, MOLEPSKE JR, PASCH, POPE-ROBERTS, RINGHAND, SINICKI, STEINBRINK, C. TAYLOR, TURNER, YOUNG, ZIEGELBAUER and CLARK, cosponsored by Senators C. LARSON, S. COGGS, T. CULLEN, HOLPERIN, JAUCH, LASSA, MILLER, TAYLOR, VINEHOUT and WIRCH. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1     **Relating to:** the life and public service of Jean Lucey.

2             Whereas, Jean Lucey passed away of natural causes on December 7, 2011, in  
3     Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and

4             Whereas, Jean Lucey was the sixth of nine children born to immigrants from  
5     Greece, growing up in Milwaukee's Greek community on the city's east side; and

6             Whereas, Jean graduated from Lincoln High School, served as a WAVE (Women  
7     Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service) during World War II in Washington,  
8     D.C., and attended the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; and

9             Whereas, Jean met her future husband, Patrick Lucey, in 1949 at a meeting  
10     regarding the future of the Democratic Party in Wisconsin; and

11             Whereas, Jean and Patrick Lucey were married in 1951 at Gesu Catholic  
12     Church in Milwaukee and became a team, touring the state in the interest of  
13     Democratic Party development and unity; and

Whereas, Jean Lucey helped her husband become the Wisconsin Democratic Party chairman in 1957 and helped build the Lucey Realty Service from their home into one of Madison's largest real estate firms; and

Whereas, Jean Lucey remained active in state politics when Patrick became governor of Wisconsin in 1971, living up to her fiery reputation and never shying away from the spotlight; and

Whereas, Jean Lucey thrived while living in Mexico after Patrick was appointed ambassador under President Jimmy Carter, becoming proficient in Spanish, traveling the country, collecting local art, and becoming familiar with the culture and customs; and

Whereas, Jean Lucey continued to live her life after politics as a unique and free spirit who was ahead of her time and never fit a certain mold; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That* the members of the Wisconsin legislature commend the devoted and extraordinary public service Jean Lucey contributed to her community and this state, express their sorrow at her death, and extend their condolences to her family, friends, and colleagues; and, be it further

***Resolved, That*** the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to Jean Lucey's husband, Patrick, and their children, Laurel, Paul and David, and her sisters Georgia and Sophia.

**(END)**