
ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: the life and public service of Representative Robert K. Zukowski.

Whereas, former representative to the Wisconsin Assembly Robert Kenneth Zukowski was born on April 24, 1930, and passed away on June 1, 2015; and

Whereas, Robert Kenneth Zukowski, known as Bob, was born on his family farm, in the Town of Reeseburg, and graduated from Thorp High School in 1948; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski met his wife of 61 years, Dolores Jean Malnar Zukowski, and the two were married on December 29, 1953, at Holy Family Catholic Church, in Willard; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski felt the call of duty to serve his country, joined the U.S. Army and served in France during the Korean Conflict, and was honorably discharged; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski was a lifetime member of the American Legion, the VFW, and the Sons of the American Legion and remained committed to fellow veterans; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski as a member of the American Legion served in national offices, serving as State Commander for 1989 and 1990 and later served as National Executive Committeeman from 1992 to 2000; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski was a member of the Clark County Veterans Commission for over 17 years, and was elected president of the Wisconsin County Veterans Committee and was instrumental in the development of the Thorp Veterans Park; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski was an active member of St. Bernard–St. Hedwig’s Catholic Church and a member of the Catholic Order of Foresters since age 15; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski served his community when he was elected to the Thorp School Board in 1972 as a write–in candidate and elected to the Wisconsin state legislature from the 69th District, serving three terms from 1992 to 1998; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski being proud of his Polish heritage, organized the Polish Heritage 4th of July Picnic and, in 2011, brought a Wisconsin Historical Marker to Old St. Hedwig’s Catholic Cemetery in the Town of Withee to honor the Polish immigrants from Poznan, who settled the Thorp area; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski was known as loving and caring, and remained committed to the family farm; and

Whereas, Robert Zukowski was the beloved husband to Dolores Jean Malnar Zukowski, beloved brother to his sister and brother, father to three daughters and one son, grandfather to six loving grandchildren, and great–grandfather to six great–grandchildren; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the Wisconsin legislature salutes Robert Kenneth Zukowski’s public service and mourns his passing; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this joint resolution to Robert Zukowski’s wife, Dolores Jean Malnar Zukowski, his brother, Donald Zukowski, and his sister, Geraldine Elzinga.

Representative Robin J. Vos
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Mary Lazich
President of the Senate

Date

Jeffrey Renk
Senate Chief Clerk