



State of Wisconsin  
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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## 2023 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 21

November 8, 2023 - Introduced by Representatives MACCO, AUGUST, BINSFELD, DITTRICH, GOYKE, KITCHENS, KRUG, MAGNAFICI, MURPHY, MURSAU, OHNSTAD, PENTERMAN, PETRYK, SINICKI, SORTWELL, SPIROS, STEFFEN, TITTL and TRANEL. Referred to Committee on Rules.

\*\*\*AUTHORS SUBJECT TO CHANGE\*\*\*

- 1     **Relating to:** honoring the life and public service of Representative John L. Klenke.
- 2             Whereas, John Klenke was born to Donald and Carol Klenke on April 25, 1958,
- 3     in Green Bay, Wisconsin; and
- 4             Whereas, John Klenke graduated from Southwest High School in 1976, from
- 5     the University of Wisconsin-Madison with a bachelor's degree in accounting and
- 6     finance in 1980, and from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee with a master's
- 7     degree in business administration in 1982; and
- 8             Whereas, John Klenke began his career at Arthur Andersen before working for
- 9     over 20 years at Schneider National, where he served as treasurer, vice president of
- 10    corporate strategy, division president, and director of corporate tax; and
- 11            Whereas, John Klenke was elected to represent the 88th Assembly District in
- 12    November 2010 and went on to serve in the Wisconsin State Assembly for two
- 13    consecutive terms; and

1           Whereas, during his time in the assembly, John Klenke served on the powerful  
2 Joint Committee on Finance and as Vice Chair of the Assembly Committee on Energy  
3 and Utilities; and

4           Whereas, while serving in the legislature, John Klenke authored and advocated  
5 for various bills concerning energy policy and economic development; and

6           Whereas, John Klenke married Charlotte Klenke, his wife of 23 years, at Holy  
7 Cross Catholic Church on February 26, 2000; and

8           Whereas, John Klenke was a loving father and grandfather to his six children  
9 and 15 grandchildren; and

10          Whereas, John Klenke retired to Lake Martin in Dadeville, Alabama, where he  
11 enjoyed spending time on the lake with his family; and

12          Whereas, John Klenke passed away peacefully on October 10, 2023, at the age  
13 of 65; and

14          Whereas, John Klenke will be best remembered for his love and devotion to his  
15 Catholic faith and to his family, as well as for his accomplished career in both the  
16 private sector and the Assembly; now, therefore, be it

17           ***Resolved by the assembly, That*** the members of the Wisconsin State  
18 Assembly join in honoring the life and public service of Representative John L.  
19 Klenke and extend their condolences to his family and friends.

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