

20XX Senate Resolution X

## **ENGROSSED RESOLUTION**

**Relating to:** honoring the life and public service of Representative Mike Endsley.

Whereas, Michael "Mike" Dee Endsley was born to Laverne and Beverly Endsley on March 4, 1962, in Sheboygan, Wisconsin; and

Whereas, Mike Endsley graduated from Sheboygan Falls High School in 1980 and from UW-Platteville in 1984, where he received a bachelor's degree in psychology and excelled as a collegiate football player; and

Whereas, Mike Endsley had a fulfilling career in business, spending more than 25 years in sales, including as a regional sales manager for Gardner Denver, before being elected to represent the 26th Assembly District in November 2010; and

Whereas, during his two terms in the Wisconsin State Assembly, Mike Endsley served as Chair of the Aging and Long-Term Care Committee, and as Vice-Chair of both the Jobs, Economy, and Small Business Committee and the Small Business Development Committee; and

Whereas, while serving in the legislature, Mike Endsley authored and advocated for various bills relating to transportation, infrastructure, therapeutic medicine, mental health, law enforcement, corrections, and tax reform, among others; and

Whereas, despite Mike Endsley's eagerness to continue serving in the legislature, his political career was cut short after being diagnosed with mild cognitive impairment in 2014, which developed into early-onset Alzheimer's disease; and

Whereas, Mike Endsley's tenacity and spirit persevered over the next nine years as he advocated tirelessly for those experiencing memory loss, lobbied for funding to support patients and caregivers, and educated others about Alzheimer's disease; and

Whereas, Mike Endsley volunteered with the Sheboygan County Walk to End Alzheimer's committee and spent many hours volunteering at The Gathering Place, a day program for adults with memory loss where he built friendships, facilitated activities, and took great pride in serving others while facing his own challenges with the disease; and

Whereas, Mike Endsley passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, on July 13, 2023; and Whereas, Mike Endsley will be remembered by his family and friends for his optimism, sense of humor, heartwarming smile, and passion for serving his community; now, therefore, be it *Resolved by the assembly, That* the members of the Wisconsin State Assembly join in

honoring the life and public service of Representative Mike Endsley and extend their condolence to his family and friends.	
State Capitol Madison, Wisconsin	Representative Robin J. Vos Speaker of the Assembly
Date	Edward A. Blazel Assembly Chief Clerk