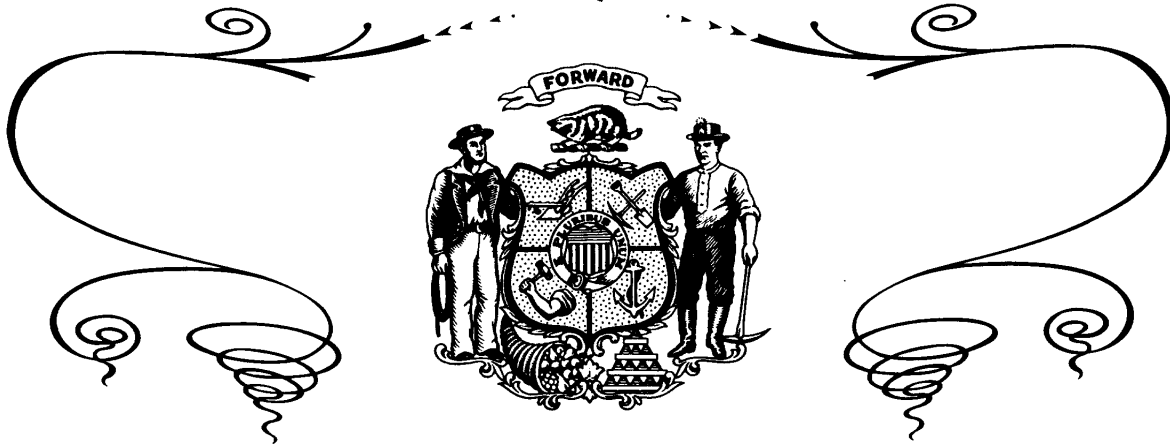


State of Wisconsin



2009 Senate Joint Resolution 60

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to: proclaiming that the ancient Macedonians were Hellenes and that the inhabitants of the northern province of Greece, Macedonia, are their Hellenic descendants.

Whereas, Philip of Macedonia, his son, Alexander the Great, and his son's tutor, the philosopher Aristotle, were born and raised in the northern province of Greece, Macedonia; and

Whereas, the language and culture of the ancient Macedonians, the ancestors of the inhabitants of northern Greece of today, were Hellenic; and

Whereas, the Macedonians, like the rest of the Hellenes in antiquity, believed in the 12 Gods of Olympus and participated with their fellow Hellenes in the Olympic Games; and

Whereas, Pella, the palace where Alexander the Great was born, and Vergina, the burial site of the Macedonian kings, are all located in northern Greece; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the members of the Wisconsin legislature proclaim, for all of the above reasons, that the ancient Macedonians were Hellenes and that the inhabitants of the northern province of Greece, Macedonia, are their Hellenic descendants; and, be it further

Resolved, That the history of ancient Macedonia has been Hellenic for 3,000 years and continues to be today; and, be it further

Resolved, That the senate chief clerk shall transmit a copy of this joint resolution to Panos Spiliakos, Supreme President, Pan-Macedonian Association, Inc.

Representative Michael J. Sheridan
Speaker of the Assembly

Senator Fred A. Risser
President of the Senate

Date

Robert J. Marchant
Senate Chief Clerk