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SENATE RESOLUTION 2

May 15, 1998 – Introduced by COMMITTEE ON SENATE ORGANIZATION, by request of Senators Moen, Rude, Schultz and Welch. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1	Relating to: the life and times of Chief Benjamin W. Winneshiek of the Ho-Chunk
2	Nation.
3	Whereas, Benjamin W. Winneshiek was born on February 22, 1917, in Dells
4	Dam, Clark County, Wisconsin, and spent his formative years in the Dells Dam and
5	Neilsville area, attending the Neilsville Indian School; and
6	Whereas, Benjamin W. Winneshiek was a distinguished veteran of World War
7	II and the last tribal survivor of the Wisconsin 32nd Red Arrow Division, serving
8	from 1940 through 1945 with the 128th Infantry Regiment through the New Guinea,
9	Papua and Leyte and Luzon, Phillipines campaigns, and was decorated with the
10	Bronze Star and many other citations for his bravery in action; and
11	Whereas, Benjamin W. Winneshiek, on March 8, 1952, married Imogene
12	Swallow, a union that gave life to daughters Paula, Annie, Sadie, Eunice and Rachel
13	and sons Clayton and Forrest and sustenance to stepson Howard Swallow; and
14	Whereas, Imogene Winneshiek passed from this earth on April 27, 1998; and

1	Whereas, Benjamin W. Winneshiek, who served proudly as the traditional
2	Tribal Chief of the Ho-Chunk Nation, passed away on May 5, 1998, at the age of 81;
3	and
4	Whereas, Benjamin W. Winneshiek, man, soldier, patriot, husband, father,
5	grandfather, great-grandfather and leader of a great Indian Nation, will be dearly
6	missed by the many whose live he has touched; now, therefore, be it
7	Resolved by the senate, That the members of the Wisconsin senate commend
8	the life and service of Benjamin W. Winneshiek, express their sorrow at his death and
9	extend their condolences to his family and friends and to all of the members of the
10	Ho-Chunk Nation; and, be it further
11	<i>Resolved, That</i> the senate chief clerk shall provide a copy of this resolution to
12	his daughters Paula, Annie, Sadie and Rachel Winneshiek and Eunice Wamego; and
13	to his sons Clayton Winneshiek and Howard Swallow.

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