1999 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 74

September 14, 1999 – Introduced by Representatives Bock, Meyerhofer, M. Lehman, Sherman, Huber, Schooff, Black, Kreuser, Wasserman, Young, Musser, Travis, Boyle, Riley, Sinicki, Duff, Krug, Sykora, La Fave, Pocan, Goetsch, Grothman, Rhoades, Ward, Richards, Miller, Ladwig, Coggs, Albers, Walker, Kestell, Klusman, Jeskewitz, Townsend, Plouff, Jensen, J. Lehman, Gronemus, Spillner, Staskunas, Porter, Schneider, Handrick, Kelso, Turner, Kreibich, Ryba, Lassa, Reynolds, Hasenohrl and Vrakas, cosponsored by Senators Burke, Darling, Erpenbach, Jauch, Moen, Farrow, Lazich, Moore, Grobschmidt, Roessler, Rosenzweig, Huelsman, Clausing, A. Lasee and Robson. Referred to Committee on Rules.

| 1 | Relating to: the death of ironworkers Jerome Starr, Jeffrey Wischer, and William |
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| 2 | DeGrave while building Miller Park. |
| 3 | Whereas, construction workers play a vital role in our state that is often taken |
| 4 | for granted; and |
| 5 | Whereas, the particularly dangerous tasks performed by ironworkers make |
| 6 | possible the grandeur of city skylines and the majesty of modern buildings; and |
| 7 | Whereas, ironworkers Jerome Starr, Jeffrey Wischer, and William DeGrave |
| 8 | lost their lives working on one of the notable public works projects of our time, Miller |
| 9 | Park in Milwaukee; and |
| 10 | Whereas, the 3 were loyal members of Iron Workers Local 8 in Milwaukee; and |
| 11 | Whereas, Jerome Starr of Milwaukee was a highly skilled, long time |
| 12 | ironworker and well respected member of the Ojibwa Nation; and |
| 13 | Whereas, Jeffrey Wischer of Waukesha, a devoted father, was the son and |
| 14 | brother of ironworkers; and |

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Whereas, William "Diver" DeGrave of Kimberly, who loved his family, hunting, fishing and his job, took particular pride in his role in the Miller Park project; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the Wisconsin legislature salutes these brave men who lost their lives so tragically, and recognizes that in doing the work they did, they helped us all to reach new heights; and, be it further

Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide copies of this joint resolution to Jerome Starr's wife, Ramona, and his children, Anjeni, James and Christopher; to Jeffrey Wischer's wife, Trish and his children, Shawna, Zachariah and Roland; to William DeGrave's wife, Marjorie, and his children, Miranda, James, and Maggie; and to Iron Workers Local 8 in Milwaukee.

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