



2011 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 5

January 25, 2011 – Introduced by Representatives VOS, KERKMAN, J. FITZGERALD, AUGUST, BALLWEG, BERNIER, BIES, BROOKS, E. COGGS, ENDSLEY, FARROW, HONADEL, JACQUE, KAPENGA, KAUFERT, KESTELL, KLEEFISCH, KLENKE, KNILANS, KNODL, KNUDSON, KOOYENGA, KRAMER, KRUG, KUGLITSCH, T. LARSON, LEMAHIEU, LITJENS, LOUDENBECK, MARKLEIN, MEYER, MURSAU, MURTHA, NASS, NERISON, NYGREN, A. OTT, J. OTT, PETERSEN, PETROWSKI, PETRYK, PRIDEMORE, RIPP, RIVARD, SEVERSON, SPANBAUER, STEINEKE, STONE, STRACHOTA, SUDER, TAUCHEN, THIESFELDT, TIFFANY, TRANEL, VAN ROY, WILLIAMS, WEININGER and WYNN, cosponsored by Senators WIRCH, COWLES, DARLING, ELLIS, KAPANKE, KEDZIE, LASEE, LAZICH, LEIBHAM, OLSEN, VUKMIR and SCHULTZ. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1 **Relating to:** commending Reince Priebus on his election as chairman of the
2 Republican National Committee.

3 Whereas, Reince Priebus was born on March 18, 1972, to Richard and Dimitra
4 Priebus and was raised in Kenosha, Wisconsin; and

5 Whereas, Reince Priebus' earliest political aspirations began in third grade at
6 Pleasant Prairie Elementary School where he was the self-appointed manager of
7 Ronald Reagan's presidential bid; and

8 Whereas, by age 16 Reince Priebus began volunteering for political campaigns
9 and graduated from George Nelson Tremper High School in 1990; and

10 Whereas, Reince Priebus obtained a bachelor's degree in political science and
11 English in 1994 from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater where he was student
12 body president; and

13 Whereas, Reince Priebus worked in the Wisconsin Legislature for a year and
14 then went to law school receiving a law degree from the University of Miami School
15 of Law in 1998; and

1 Whereas, during law school he clerked for the Wisconsin Court of Appeals, the
2 Supreme Court of Wisconsin, the United States District Court Southern District of
3 Florida and interned for the NAACP legal defense fund. He also served as the copy
4 editor for *Res Ipsa Loquitur*, the journal of the University of Miami School of Law,
5 and was a member of the University of Miami Business Law Review; and

6 Whereas, Reince Priebus was admitted to the Wisconsin Bar in 1998 and joined
7 the law firm of Michael Best and Friedrich LLP in Milwaukee, Wisconsin; and

8 Whereas, Reince Priebus' first date with the woman who became his wife was
9 at the Kenosha County Republican Party Lincoln Day Dinner where representatives
10 Henry J. Hyde of Illinois and James F. Sensenbrenner Jr. of Wisconsin were
11 delivering keynote speeches; and

12 Whereas, Reince Priebus married his wife Sally in 1999 and they currently live
13 in Kenosha, Wisconsin, with their two children Jack, six, and Grace, almost one; and

14 Whereas, the Milwaukee Business Journal recognized Reince Priebus as one
15 of Milwaukee's Forty under 40, class of 2008, and Super Lawyers named him a
16 "Rising Star"; and

17 Whereas, Reince Priebus ran an unsuccessful bid for the Wisconsin Senate in
18 2004 which led him to serving as the treasurer and later being elected chairman of
19 the Wisconsin Republican Party in 2007; and

20 Whereas, Reince Priebus became general counsel for the Republican National
21 Committee Chairman Michael Steele in 2009; and

22 Whereas, on January 14, 2011, Reince Priebus was elected the 65th chairman
23 of the Republican National Committee after seven rounds of balloting; now,
24 therefore, be it

