

State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE



## **2013 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 102**

February 20, 2014 – Introduced by Representatives RIPP, BROOKS, KNUDSON, A. OTT, WILLIAMS, TAUCHEN, BIES, MURPHY and MURTHA, cosponsored by Senators HARSDORF, L. TAYLOR, COWLES, TIFFANY, MILLER, SCHULTZ and KEDZIE. Referred to Committee on Rules.

1	Relating to: recognizing Dr. Norman Borlaug for his role in advancing agriculture
2	by developing new wheat varieties and helping to improve the food security of
3	developing nations worldwide.
4	Whereas, Dr. Norman Borlaug is respected as one of the world's greatest
5	agricultural leaders and has been known as "agriculture's greatest spokesperson,"
6	"the father of the Green Revolution," and "the man who saved a billion lives"; and
7	Whereas, Dr. Borlaug is revered for developing high-yielding, short-strawed,
8	disease-resistant wheat varieties, which have been harvested in Mexico, India,
9	Pakistan, and other countries in Latin America, the Middle East, Asia, and Africa;
10	and
11	Whereas, Dr. Borlaug's agricultural methods have been used across the globe
12	to help countries facing food shortages; and
13	Whereas, Dr. Borlaug was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1970 for his role
14	in adapting new wheat varieties and promoting their production worldwide, which
15	helped improve the global food supply; and

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1	Whereas, Dr. Borlaug went on to receive the Presidential Medal of Freedom and
2	the Congressional Gold Medal; and
3	Whereas, Dr. Borlaug's ancestral roots connect him to Wisconsin as he is the
4	great-grandson of Norwegian immigrants who came to America and first settled in
5	Wisconsin; and
6	Whereas, Dr. Borlaug was born on March 25, 1914, in a small farming
7	community in northeastern Iowa and died on September 12, 2009, at the age of 95;
8	and
9	Whereas, March 25, 2014, is National Agriculture Day and the 100th
10	anniversary of Dr. Borlaug's birth; and
11	Whereas, Dr. Borlaug's accomplishments in agriculture have been an
12	inspiration to others; now, therefore, be it
13	<b>Resolved by the assembly, the senate concurring, That</b> the members of the
14	Wisconsin legislature recognize the lasting impact Dr. Norman Borlaug's
15	accomplishments have had on agriculture and fighting world hunger.
16	(END)