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Rock County Legislators Present Bipartisan Legislative Citation Honoring Tony Farrell Sr.

JANESVILLE – Yesterday, Senator Mark Spreitzer (D-Beloit) and Representatives Sue Conley (D-Janesville), Jenna Jacobson (D-Oregon), Scott Johnson (R-Jefferson), and Ellen Schutt (R-Clinton) presented a legislative citation on behalf of themselves and Senator Steve Nass (R-Whitewater) and Representative Clinton Anderson (D-Beloit) to Anthony “Tony” Farrell Sr. The Rock County legislators presented the bipartisan legislative citation at the Rock County Board of Supervisors meeting on February 23, following the Board’s recognition of Tony.

Tony has served Rock County for over 50 years as a musician, small business owner, advocate, and devoted volunteer, and is retiring in March 2023 as the volunteer executive director of the Rock County Suicide Prevention and Safety Series, where he has worked to spread information and awareness about the warning signs of someone who is contemplating suicide. Tony has also been a constant helpful presence at many local government meetings and a dedicated volunteer and supporter of many other causes.

Sens. Spreitzer and Nass and Reps. Conley, Anderson, Jacobson, Johnson, and Schutt were proud to recognize Tony through a bipartisan legislative citation to congratulate him on the occasion of his retirement and thank him for his exceptional contributions to Rock County.

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An electronic version of the citation and photos from the presentation of the citation are attached to this release.

Farrell Citation 1: Rep. Jenna Jacobson (far left), Rep. Sue Conley (second from left), Tony Farrell Sr. (center left with citation), Sen. Mark Spreitzer (center right), Rep. Ellen Schutt (second from right), and Rep. Scott Johnson (far right) after citation presentation.

Farrell Citation 2: Sen. Mark Spreitzer (center) presents the legislative citation to Tony Farrell Sr. (left).

Farrell Citation 3: Rock County legislators present legislative citation to Tony Farrell Sr.

Farrell Citation 4: Tony Farrell Sr. speaks at Rock County Board of Supervisors meeting (center).

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CITATION OF COMMENDATION BY THE LEGISLATURE

KNOW YOU BY THESE PRESENTS:

WHEREAS, Anthony “Tony” Farrell Sr. has served Rock County with dedication and distinction for over 50 years as a musician, small business owner, advocate, and devoted volunteer; **and**

WHEREAS, Tony served in the Wisconsin Army National Guard, where he volunteered to help soldiers returning from Vietnam and suffering from trauma; **and**

WHEREAS, Tony is retiring in March 2023 as the volunteer executive director of the Rock County Suicide Prevention and Safety Series, where he has worked to spread information and awareness about the warning signs of someone who is contemplating suicide; **and**

WHEREAS, Tony has also been a constant helpful presence at many local government meetings and a dedicated volunteer and supporter of many other causes, including the Janesville Performing Arts Center, Mercy Hospital and Trauma Center, the Rotary Botanical Gardens, and more; **and**


WHEREAS, Tony has received accolades for his volunteer service and dedication throughout his life, including being inducted into the Rock County Hall of Honor in 2014 and the United Arts Hall of Fame in 2015, being honored with the Citizen’s Award from the Rock County Sheriff’s Office in 2022, and being named the Forward Janesville Volunteer of the Year and one of the Janesville Gazette’s “People Who Matter” in 2012; **and**

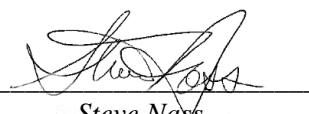
THEREFORE, Representatives Sue Conley, Clinton Anderson, Jenna Jacobson, Ellen Schutt, and Scott Johnson, and Senators Mark Spreitzer and Steve Nass, on behalf of the Wisconsin Legislature, do hereby commend and congratulate


Anthony “Tony” Farrell Sr.


on the occasion of his retirement and thank him for his exceptional contributions to Rock County.

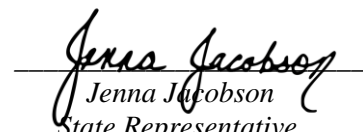
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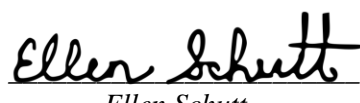

Mark Spreitzer
State Senator
15th Senate District


Steve Nass
State Senator
11th Senate District


Sue Conley
State Representative
44th Assembly District


Clinton Anderson
State Representative
45th Assembly District


Jenna Jacobson
State Representative
43rd Assembly District


Ellen Schutt
State Representative
31st Assembly District


Scott Johnson
State Representative
33rd Assembly District



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DAVE	DANNY
HILSON	CULLEN
WOODMAN	JOHNS
SCHNEIDER	RICHARD
LARRY	KRUSON
BRIEN	STEVENS
PAV	AGNIN
HINTER	PEER
DEMYANOV	BLANTYRE
SHEENEY	



A group of people are gathered in a courtroom. A man in a blue suit is speaking at a podium, holding a folder. To his left, a woman in a grey shawl and another woman in a black top are clapping. Further left, a man in a light blue shirt is also clapping. In the background, two framed portraits of men in suits are visible on the wall. The room has wood-paneled walls and a large screen displaying a list of names.

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The foreground shows the backs of several audience members seated at long wooden tables. The tables are equipped with microphones and laptops. The setting is a formal courtroom or hearing room.

PASTI	ROBERTA
WILSON	COLLEEN
WEAVER	LEAHY
SCHNEIDER	RICHARD
BRIEN	STEPHEN
FOX	SCHULZ
WINTER	PEER
MANNINNEY	PODZILNI
SNEENEY	

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