



2019 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 98

February 12, 2020 - Introduced by Senators COWLES, ROTH, CARPENTER, HANSEN, LARSON, RISSER and RINGHAND, cosponsored by Representatives STEINEKE, L. MYERS, MURSAU, PRONSCHINSKE, SINICKI, HINTZ, C. TAYLOR, SKOWRONSKI, BOWEN, HEBL, MILROY, GRUSZYNSKI, KOLSTE, VRUWINK, SUBECK, KRUG, TAUCHEN, SARGENT, POPE, SPIROS, SPREITZER, OHNSTAD, ANDERSON and BROSTOFF. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** honoring the life and service of Richard G. “Rick” Hill, former
2 Chairman of the Oneida Nation.

3 Whereas, Rick Hill was born on January 6, 1953, to Eileen Johnston Hill and
4 Norbert S. Hill in Detroit, Michigan; and

5 Whereas, Rick Hill was a long-serving councilman and Vice-Chairman of the
6 Oneida Nation and served as Chairman for two terms, from 1990 to 1993 and again
7 from 2008 through 2011; and

8 Whereas, as Chairman of the Oneida Nation, Rick Hill signed the Oneida
9 Nation’s first gaming compact with the state of Wisconsin in 1991; and

10 Whereas, Rick Hill served as Chairman of the National Indian Gaming
11 Association and was integral to developing and implementing national regulatory
12 standards and policies for tribal governmental gaming; and

13 Whereas, Rick Hill received several awards honoring his contributions,
14 including the Pathbreakers Award for his role in developing Indian gaming and the

1 Eagle Visionary Award, was inducted into the Indian Gaming Hall of Fame, and
2 became the first Indian Gaming inductee in the Gaming Hall of Fame; and

3 Whereas, Rick Hill passed away on December 13, 2019, at the age of 66, and he
4 is survived by his wife, three children, and two grandchildren; and

5 Whereas, Rick Hill leaves behind an honorable legacy of service and leadership
6 to the Oneida Nation and the State of Wisconsin and will be remembered as one of
7 the Oneida Nation's most prominent and respected leaders; now, therefore, be it

8 ***Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That*** the members of the
9 Wisconsin Legislature honor the life and service of Rick Hill to the Oneida Nation
10 and the State of Wisconsin and extend their sympathies to his family, friends, and
11 the Oneida Nation.

12 (END)