## State of Wisconsin



## KNOW YOU BY THESE PRESENTS:

WHEREAS, Robert A. McCabe was born on Milwaukee's South Side, the eldest son of working-class parents; and

WHEREAS, he graduated from Carroll College and received his Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1949 and became Department Chair in 1952; and

WHEREAS, all his Ph.D. students went on to become full professors, department chairs, or top administrators of conservation agencies, a tribute to his judgement and his nurturing and teaching skills; and

WHEREAS, he was among the first to use infrared light to observe nocturnal behavior of animals and he pioneered the use of egg-white electrophoresis to test phylogenetic relationship-a basis for the concept of DNA/RNA affinities; and

WHEREAS, he chaired the National Academy of Sciences Subcommittee on Vertebrate Pest Problems, served on the U.S. Department of Interior committee to evaluate lead-iron shot and served on the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Research Advisory Committee from its inception until his death in 1995; now

THEREFORE, the members of the Wisconsin Legislature, on the motion of Senator Shibilski and Representative Lassa, commend ROBERT A. MCCABE for his accomplishments and for being inducted posthumously into the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame.

SCOTT R. JENSEN

Speaker of the Assembly

FRÉD A. RISSER President of the Senate

DONALD J. SCHNEIDER

Senate Chief Clerk

<u>April 17, 1999</u> DATE