

Tommy@30: A public policy symposium-May 23

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(Madison, WI)—Thirty years after his inauguration as Wisconsin's 42nd Governor, academic experts and respected journalists will gather at a public policy symposium at the State Capitol on May 23rd to assess the impact of Tommy Thompson's policy innovations in welfare reform, school choice and job creation.

"The 30th anniversary of Governor Tommy Thompson's inauguration provides an opportunity to assess the lasting impact of the policy innovations he advanced in the areas of welfare reform, school choice and job creation" said James R. Klauser, Chairman of the Tommy@30 effort and former key advisor to Gov. Thompson. "This public policy symposium will feature new and original research by state and national policy experts as well as retrospective analyses by respected Wisconsin journalists who originally covered these reforms."

The symposium will take place on May 23rd, 9:00 AM-12:00 PM event at the State Capital in the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Hall (Room 413 North).

"Tommy@30: A Public Policy Symposium," is a limited seating event and will be both free and open to public, with advanced registration highly-recommended. Advanced registration can be found by clicking here, "Tommy@30: A Public Policy Symposium," or visiting, Tommyat30.com."

The year-long Tommy@30 project was launched by alumni and colleagues of Gov. Thompson, and will feature several high-profile events throughout the year. This

effort is chaired by Governor Thompson's closest advisor, former Secretary of Administration James R. Klauser. Many other Thompson administration alumni are also donating their time and talents to the project. Generous support from foundations, individuals and corporations are helping offsetting the costs associated with the academic papers, journalistic histories and a documentary. The Executive Director of the Tommy@30 project is former State Representative Michelle Litjens.