



State of Wisconsin
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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2023 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 107

February 7, 2024 - Introduced by Senators MARKLEIN, SMITH and PFAFF, cosponsored by Representatives BILLINGS, OLDENBURG, DOYLE, PRONSCHINSKE and TRANEL. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming June 7, 2024, as Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife
2 and Fish Refuge Day.

3 Whereas, the Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge was
4 formed 100 years ago by legislative action to develop systematic evaluation and
5 management of this protected area for the future generations; and

6 Whereas, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Friends of Refuge organizations,
7 federal and state partners, and others work to conserve, protect, and enhance habitat
8 as a breeding ground for migratory birds, fish, other wildlife, and plants for the
9 continuing benefit of the American people; and

10 Whereas, the refuge has been designated as a Wetland of International
11 Importance by the Ramsar Convention and a Globally Important Bird Area; and

12 Whereas, the 240,000-acre refuge extends 261 miles along the Upper
13 Mississippi River from the confluence of the Chippewa River near Wabasha, MN, to
14 Princeton, IA, and crosses four states: Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, and the

